The decrease of Rupees 6,537 under the head of Abkarry was caused by the Abkarry Contract of the district of Coimbatore having been let to Vencatachelliah, who divided the contract among his Sub-renters, and fixed the revenue of the Neilgherry Talook at Rupees 40,000.

One or two exceptional suits involving large amounts were instituted in Fusly 1277; hence the difference under the head of "Stamps."

Abstrac' showing the revenue from both Land and Sundry sources of Revenue, in comparison with the preceding year.

18. The aggregate revenue of the district from both Land and Sundry sources, amounts to Rupees 90,986, less than the previous year by Rupees 10,003.

Items.	c	Fusly 1277.	Fusly 1278.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue Sundry Sources		Rs. 34,467 66,522	Rs. 28,423 62,563	RS.	RS. 6,044 3,959
	Total	1,00,989	90,986	••••••	10,003

The decrease is explained in paragraphs 14 and 17 ante.

Interest Account.

19.0 The Interest Account stands as follows, and needs no remarks.

Demand, Collection, and Balance of all sources of revenue.

20. Demand, Collection, and Balance of all sources of revenue.

Items.	Demand for Fusly 1278.	Collection within the fusly.	Balance on the 30th June 1869,	Subsequent collection up to 31st July 1869.	Balance still due.
Land Revenue.	RS.	Ŕs.	RS.	RS.	Rs.
Ryotwar	16,558 11,865	16,478 11,511	80 354	43 293	37 61
Total	28,423	27,989	434	336	98
Abkarry Revenue Stamp do License-tax	40,575 13,179 3,550 5,259	33,909 13,179 3,550 5,259	6,666		6,666
Grand Total	90,986	83,886	7,100	336	6,764

Of the Miscellaneous items, Rupees 4,258-6-11 belong to quit-rent, of which all but Rupees 354 were collected in June, and Rupees 293 further in July.

The balance of Rupees 6,666 under Abkarry is caused by the Contractor having failed to redeem his securities in deposit. He wishes them to be sold in adjustment of his last two month's kist. Government Promissory Notes of the 4 per cent. loan of the nominal value of Rupees 6,600, and 66 rupees in cash, form the securities.

Demand, Collection, and Balance of arrears.

21. Demand, Collection, and Balance of arrears.

• Items.	Arrears at the com- mence-		IONS, ETC	., WITHIN	Balance on the 30th	Subse-	Balance on the
	ment of Fusly 1278.	Collec-	Remissions.	Total.	June 1869.	quent collections.	31st July 1869.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	ES.
Ryotwar Miscellaneous items	10,501 3,664	6,639 1,943	1,548 1,348	.8,187 3,291	2,314 373	26 33	2,288 340
	14,165	8,582	2,896	11,478	2,687	59	2,628
Abkarry •	•••••			•			
Grand Total	.14,165	8,582	2,896	11,478	2,687	59	2,628

The balance of Rupees 2,628 still due under the head of Arrears, is mainly composed as follows:—

					LUB.	Α.	r.
Mr.	Dawson			 	 1,650	6	0
,,	Brown			 	 344	12	6
,,	Rhode			 	 251	. 8	1
,,	Shortt			 	 125	10	10
Car	tain Richard	lson		 	 91	8	9
Mr.	Rhode is in	Englan	d.				

The sums severally due by the other gentlemen have formed the subject of correspondence with the Board, Vide my letters 16th June 1869, No. 82.

8th December 1868, No. 85. 9th August 1869, , 114.

Comparative abstract of Collections.

22. Comparative abstract of Collections,

Items.	•	LAST FUSI	у. •	Pi	RESENT FUS	LY.	Ingresse	Decrease
, i	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	Decrease
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS. •	RS.	rs.
Ryotwar Miscellaneous	7,348 4,035	19,927 5,174	27,275 9,209	6,639 1,943	16,478 11,511	23,117 13,454	4,245	4.158
Total	11,383	25,101	36,484	8,582	27,989	36,571	87	
Abkarry Stamps Income-tax License-tax	5,958	47,277 14,649 4,595	53,235 14,649 4,595		33,909 13,179 3,550 5,259	33,909 13,179 3,550 5,259	3,550 664	19,326 1,470
Grand Total	17,341	91,622	1,08,963	8,582	83,886	92,468		16,495

The decrease of Rupees 4,158 under the head of Ryotwar, is owing to there being less arrears to collect in the present than on the previous fusly, and to the plantation demand having been transferred to the following fusly.

The increase of Rupees 4,245 under Miscellaneous, is owing to the collection of arrears due, on waste land purchases for which Title-deeds were granted within the year.

The Abkarry arrears of a former year amounting to Rupees 5,958 were collected in Fusly 1277. This, with the circumstances explained in paragraphs 17 and 20 ante, account for the decrease of Rupees 19,326 under the head of Abkarry.

Demand, Collection, and Balance of Land Revenue.

23. Demand, Collection, and Balance of Land Revenue.

Company of the Compan	C				<u>C</u>
Items.	Demand for Fusly 1278.	Collection within the fusly.	Balance.	Subsequent collection up to 31st July 1869.	Balance.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS. C
Land held by Burghers and other Hill Tribes Do. held by Europeans, East	16,458	16,378	80	43	37
Indians, &c., for Coffee plantation, and other Agricultural purposes	100	100			,f
Miscellaneous. Total	16,558	16,478	80	43	37
Quit-rent on house properties Other items	4,258 7,607	3,904 7,607	354	293	61
Total	11,865	11,511	354	293	61
Grand Total	28,423	27,989	434	336 0	98

^{&#}x27;Although no demand under the head of Plantation for the present fusly was made (see paragraph 14 ante) Rupees 100 were tendered, which I thought it best to receive and carry to account.

Remissions recommended.

24. Remissions recommended.

			Recommended for remissions in the Settle- ment Report of Fusly 1277.	Now recom- mended for remission.	Total irrecoverable arrears to be writtensoff in the accounts.
			RS.	RS.	RS.
Due from deceased ryots			*******	23	23
Do. from absconded do		•••	•••••	24	24
other causes		:::	••••••	24	24
a	Total		1	71	71

Statement of Items standing irrecoverable under the heads of Iyen, Plantation, and Quit-rent, during the Fuslies 1270, 1277 and 1278, in the Neilgherry District.

No.	Names of Defaulters.	Fusly 1270. Fus.	ly 1277.	Fusly 1278.	Total.	Road Cess.	Grand total.	
17 25 33 71 74 13 22 27 34 51 76	Iyen. Buntton Hoochy Buntton Linghee Vazeer Mahomed Rootheriah Lutchamay Govedon. Yeray Govedon Neray Govedon Yeray Govedon Seetooram	4 3 6 1 1	7 5 14 9 9 8 1 10 11 3 10 1 4 7 11 0 4 7	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P. 4 9 2 3 7 5 6 14 9 5 9 8 1 1 10 1 11 3 6 10 1 2 4 7 8 11 0 2 4 7 3 6 5	Rs. A. P. 0 2 4 0 1 9 0 3 6 0 2 10 0 0 7 0 0 11 0 3 5 0 1 2 0 4 5 0 1 2 0 1 9	RS. A. P. 4 11 6 3 9 2 7 2 3 5 12 6 1 2 5 1 12 2 6 13 6 2 5 9 8 15 5 2 5 9 3 8 2	Ryots dead; no other property from which to recover the arrears. Lands sold for arrears; and purchased on behalf of Government. Ryots absconded; no other property from which to recover the arrears. Lands sold for arrears, and purchased on behalf of Government.
	Plantation. Total Mr. Stanes		10 9		46 10 9	1 7 10	48 2 7	Remission consequent upon issue of revised Title-deeds. Vide Govern-
218	QUIT-RENT. Ootacamund. Mr. Bennett	1 10 9			1 10 9		1 10 9	ment Proceedings, No. 45, of 2nd July 1868. Proprietor disputes this arrear for Eusly 1278 on the ground that when he redeemed the assessment in Fusly 1270, all previous ones should
72 • 246 253	Captain Nicholas Mr. Ellier Sumpunjee Iyloo		··· ···	9 12 3 0 1 10 0 11 0	9 12 3 0 1 10 0 11 0		9 12 3 0 1 10 0 11 0	have been recovered. Land taken for new Church, Ootacamund; erroneously included in demand of 1278, as the order for remission was received in April 1869. Land taken by Government for the Swamp Reclamation scheme.

Statement of Items standing Irrecoverable under the heads of Iyen, &c.—(Continued.)

No.	Names of Defaulters.	Fusl	y 12	270.	Fusl	y 12	77.	Fusl	y 1	278.	T	otal		Roa	d C	ess.	Gran	nd t	otal.	
		RS.	Α.	P.	RS.	Δ.	P.	RS,	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	Δ.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	
156	Sidden Esq Coonoor.						•••	1	14	11	1	14	11		•••		1	14	11	Remission due for land taken for the construction of the new Pykara Roads.
36	Mr. Stevens for 3 Fuslies 1274, 1275, and 1276.										0	12	0				0	12	0	Remission of quit-rent for land taken for new road from Coonoor or Wellington.
	Wellington			•••					•••						•••					Erroneously included in the demand of
14	T. R. Vencatachellum Pillay.	•••		•••		· ·		5	4	0	5	4	0				5	4	0	Fusly 1278. Vide remark in No. 14 of Statement which accompanied Commissioner's letter No. 7 of 21st January 1869.
	Total	1	10	9			•••	17	12	0	20	2	9	,			20	2	- 9	
	Grand total	1	10	9	50	10	9	17	12	0	70	13	6	1,	7	10	72	5	4	

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(Signed) J. W. BREEKS, Commissioner. A detailed List with reasons for the remissions recommended is submitted herewith.

Irrecoverable arrears struck off the Accounts.

25. Irrecoverable, arrears struck off the

Accounts.

• The irrecoverable arrears struck off the accounts during the year under review amount to Rupees 2,896, as particularised below.

		ment, dated 13th occedings of the				RS.	Α.	Ρ.
	ue Ryotwar		·			1,548	3	2
• Do.	do.	Land Revenu	e Miscellaneou	ıs		1,322	0	3
					Total	2,870	3	5
		t, dated 14th Ju edings of the 28t		The second secon				
• Revenue Mi	(1907일) : 시장 - 시청 - 100	. ·	4200		1	26	4	0
			•					-
				4	Total	2.896	7	5

Extent to which Coercive Process was employed.

26. Extent to which Coercive Process was employed.

The number of cases in which process was issued for the recovery of arrears was 26, and the amount of revenue affected was Rupees 1,237. The estimated value of land and personal property attached was Rupees 532, and the amount actually realized by their sale was Rupees 434. The particulars are given in Enclosure A. in Statement No. 8. No fees were charged for sewing processes such having been sewed by peons of my establishment.

Charges.

27. The subjoined Table shows in detail the charges of the Revenue Department, Survey, and Settlement Department excepted.

Items.	Last Fusly.	Present Fusly.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
Land Revenue.	RS.	£s.	RS.	RS.	
Refunds of Revenue	100	34		66	
Salaries and Expenses. Collectors' salaries Commissioners' salaries.	6,785	1,567 20,584*	20,584	5,218	*The full salary of the Commissioner and Assistant Commis- sioner up to end of
		7.00			March 1869, is included in this amount. From the 1st April 1869 half of the salary of the Commissioner is debited to Law and Justice, and half to Revenue.

Items.	Last Fusly.	Present Fusly.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
Salaries and Expenses.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Tent and House-rent allowances	979	1,649	670		
Huzoor and Talook Es- tablishment Sawderward Medical charges Contingencies Miscellaneous	8,757 216 1,948 123	11,615 256 2,361 615 925	2,858† 40 413 492	1,148	† The Coonoor Sub- Magistrate's pay was formerly carried to the head of Law and Justice, at any rate it is not included in the
	20,881	0 39,572	18,691		8,757 rupees for the previous Fusly, ac
Abkarry charges Stamp do License-tax do Income-tax do	1,046	517 9		25 529 207	cording to the Return furnished by the Col- lector of Coimbatore.
Total	22,268	40,132	17,864		9

The total charge is Rupees 43 per cent. of the gross revenue.

Examination of Village Accounts.

28. Examination of Village Accounts.

Only one Monigar can read and write.

The Village Accounts are kept by four Kanakans (or Village Accountants) for the four Divisions of Parangunaud, Maiknaud, Todanaud, and Koondahs.

The Head Clerk in my presence examined the Village Accounts, and reports them to be in a coordance with the forms given in the manual.

Register of Land acquired by Public Servants,

29. The following abstract shows the extent of land held by Public Servants in the district.

	IN THIS	DISTRICT.	In othe	R DISTRICTS.	T	OTAL.			
•	Extent.	Assessment	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment			
Huzoor Servants.	ACS.	RS.	ACS,	RS.	ACS.	Rs.			
Rungapah Naidoo, Head Accountant	23.67	23 10 7			23.67	23 10 7			
7. Vencataramanien, Clerk Brokapillay, do Beemah Row, do		***************************************	10·51 26· 6 0·10	11 6 11 20 13 8 1 2 2	10·51 26· 6 0·10	11 6 11 20 13 8 1 2 2			
Reemah Row, do N. Namaseevoya Moodellyar, 1st Class Revenue Inspector. Vencatagherry Iyen, 2nd do.	98:20	40 7 1	45·69 2·65	112 5 8 11 7 0	143·89 2·65	152 12 9			
.c Total	121.87	64 1 8	85. 1	157 3 5	206.88	221 5 1			

Register of land held by Mr. W. G. McIvor, Superintendent of Government Gardens, &c.

Zillah and district	LAND AC	QUIRED.	When acquired, and whether prior or sub-	By what	Nature of the interest possess-
in which land is situated.	Extent.	$\mathbf{A}_{ ext{ssessment}}$	sequent to the em-	means acquired.	ed by such servants in such landed property.
. Neilgherries.	ACS.	RS.			
Neddivuttum	662	870 2 7 1,167 0 0	sequent.	Turchase.	10 Share.
Maiknaud	76 2 7 2361	14 13 9	Do. do.	} Do	1 Do.
Do	45 63 23 1860	90 7 0	March 1867, do.	Do	i Do.
Do	94	115 1 0	June 1865, do.	Do.	½ Do.
Seegoor			March 1859, do.	Do.	Do.
Todanaud	26 19 197	38 10 (December 1868, do.	Do.	Proprietor.
Do	2 13 1360	7 5 8	March 1856, do.	Dø.	Do.
• Do	6 18 1200	11 13 10	May 1866, do.	Do.	Do.
Do	2 3 2012	6 9 8	May 1856, do.	Do.	Do.
. Do	3 1 1163	7 .9 10	February 1850, do.	Do.	Do.
Coonoor	5 21 170	6 11.11	July 1856, do.	Do.	Do.

Mr. McIvor, by Government Order, 6th April 1869, No. 913, was directed send in a detailed Statement of any landed property he may possess, or have an interest in, on the Hills. He forwarded a Statement, from which the above is an abstract. I feel it my duty, however, to add, that in the Income-tax Returns, he is assessed as receiving 250 rupees a month as Director General of the Deva Sholah Plantation, which seems to be an interest in landed property of a kind contemplated by the Government Order above-mentioned.

Remarks on the conduct of Subordinate Officers.

30. With the exception of Vencata Ramiah, late Revenue Inspector, I am well satisfied with all the establishment.

Working of the Rules for the Sale of Government Lands on this Hill.

31. As the Board in their Proceedings of 19th July 1869, No. 5,130, have recommended

that in communication with Planters, I should submit a special and full report upon the operation of the Waste Land Rules in this district, it seems to me undesirable to say anything on the subject here.

SETTLEMENT REPORT OF THE NEILGHERRY HILLS.

Road Cess.

32. Road Cess under Act No. III. of 1866.

ϵ ϵ Items,		Arrears of the old cess.	Current new cess.	Total.
· · · · ·		RS.	RS.	RS.
Demand Collection within the fusly		251 202	528 522	774 724
Balance on the 30th June 1869 Subsequent collection up to 31st July 186	39	1	1	o 50 1
· ·	Balance	48	1 c °	49

OOTACAMUND, 26th August 1869. (Signed)

J. W. BREEKS,

Commissioner.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

SALEM.

I HAVE the honor to report on the Revenue Settlement of my District for Fusly 1278; . (1868-69,) and to submit the usual Statements.

- The Jummahbundy, which began on the 9th of January and ended on the 23rd of June. was conducted by the officers and at the places shown in Statement No. 1.
- 3. The Sub-Collector settled, in addition to his own division, a part of the Salem Talook, the rest of the talook having been settled partly by my Assistant, Mr. Overbury, and partly by myself.
- 4. The talcoks of Ahtur, Trichengode, and Ustergherry were settled by myself. The Acting Head Assistant Collector, Mr. Irvine, settled the Tripattur Talook, and the Deputy Collector. Mr. Leggatt, the Namkul Talook.

Number and tenure of Villages.

5. The number of villages continued to be the same as last year, namely 2,785, and no change has been made in their tenure.

· Puttahs.

- 6. The aggregate number of puttahs for the year was 2,12,675. Of these 1,83,505 remained altogether unaltered, and alterations in the old puttahs were made in 13,711 cases. The
- remaining 15,459 were fresh puttahs.
- 7. The Kutchayat, or receipt books in the new form, were introduced during the Fusly and the advantages derivable therefrom by the ryots cannot be over-rated. The new form of puttah will not come into force till the revised assessment is carried out.

8. The season during the year has on the whole been good, though it vasied so that

some talooks have been more fortunate than others.

9. The season for punjah cultivation is generally March and April, but this year it was later and did not begin till about May, as but little rain fell up to that time. It was afterwards carried on vigorously and a fair average out-turn, especially in the Sub-Collector's division, has been the result.

10. The rains in July and August having filled almost every tank the nunjah cultivation, was begun in earnest, but the subsequent failure from December affected the crops. The remissions for shavy have not, however, been considerable.

11. The annexed table shows the fall of rain between April 1868 and March 1869:-

					Mon	ths.				,				Inch	es.	Tenths.
April :	1868										•••	.,.		0		6
May	,, `						•		2		•	•••		2		5
June	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					•••	•••	•••	•••	•••	•••			2		9
July	`,, ` <u>.</u>					•••	···	,	•••		•	•••		6	1	7
August	,,	4.7					<i>t</i>		.,,		. 50.			1		2
September	r,,		•••			•••		•		•••		~;	•••	5		7
		11.										Tota	al	19		- 6
October	1868			•••				•••			••••			5		2
November	,,	•••					٠	•••	•••			•••		1	•	1
December	A. Co			•••		•••		•••	•••			•••				'
January	1869		•••	•••			P		•••			•••				
Pobruary	,,				•••			•••				•••				
March	" e-													0	j	7
								C				Tota	1	7		0
										G	rand	Tota	ıl	26		6

Sanitary condition.

12. The public health has been remarkably good compared with past years. There was not a single case of cholera, and the prevalence of fever and small-pox was much less than usual.

- 13. There was some disease among cattle, but the mortality was nothing to speak of. Wherever disease broke out immediate remedies were prescribed, chiefly those proposed by the Veterinary Surgeon Mr. Thacker.
- 14. The subjoined statement shows the number of deaths from various causes, and the number of births. As I said in my last report I do not place much reliance on the returns from which this statement is compiled. The Moottahdars seldom send their returns either regularly or correctly, and there are no means of enforcing their attention to orders. This is the result of there being no law requiring either Mootahdars or their Curnums to keep or render any such returns; until this defect is remedied by Legislature I consider the returns almost worthless.

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			POPUL	ATION.			<u>'</u>	MORT	ALITY.			i	NATU	JRAL (CAUSE	ls.	F	ROM	VIO	LEN	CE.	000 from al	from	BIR	THS.	
		Apu	LTS.	CHILD	ZEN.		Anu	LTS.	Сниг	DEEN.							Ac	CIDE	NT.	Sui	CIDE.	1,000	1,000			
0.	Names of Talocks.	Мец.	Women.	Máles,	Females.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Ague.	Other diseases.	Drowning .	Snake bite.	Wild beasts. Other accidents.	Hanging. Drowning,	Poison. Other suicides. Murder.	Ratio of deaths per causes.	Ratio of deaths per cholera.	Маюв.	Females.	Total.
	2.	3	4 -	5	6	7	8	9	10	-11	12	13	14	15	16.	17	18	19	20 21	22 23	24 25 26	27	28	29	30	31
	Salem	97,784	1,00,940	63,694	55,366	3,17,784	1,453	1,185	802	743	4,183	9	161	1,418	213	2,281	38	24	430	3 1	11	13.16	2	2,771	2,541	5,3
2	Abtur	41,384	43,088	22,407	19,935	1,26,814	565	485	446	387	1,883	1	97	445	167	1,137	18	7	1 9	1		14 80		1,322	1,227	2,5
	Namkul	.67,297	72,203	44,602	38,682	2,22,784	726	718	385	297	2,126	4	30	436	163	1,429	30	23	1 10			9 50		1,605	1,511	3,1
	Trichengode	66,868	65,952	40,253	36,790	2,09,803	628	515	325	347	1,815	,' 1	49	513	129	1,058	34	19	6	5		8.57		1,346	1,197	2,5
	Tripattur	48,611	49,956	27,879	25,399	1,51,845	712	721	687	640	2,760	8	180	957	141	1,416	30.	8	7 10	1 1	1	18 17		1,740	_1,666	3,40
;	Uttengherry	39,661	40,570	23,752	23,101	1,27,084	549	470	389	353	1,761	7	57	461	62	1,128	19	.15	. 10		2	13:85		1,358	1,305	2,6
	Dharampoory	52,552	51,306	29,307	27,902	1,61,067	617	504	349	284	4,754		135	, 736	110	725	34	8	1 5			10.89		1,162	1,131	2,29
1	Kistnagherry	43,328	42,742	23,866	22,579	1,32,515	580	523	• 345	346	1,794	10	96	799	,101	746	21	13	7	1	1	13:54		1,270	1,302	2,57
	Oossoor	58,865	57,996	27,168	25,508	1,69,537	861	1.50	235	213	2.089	20	48	1,320	48	612	24	10	8		1 3	12.82		723	671	1,39
	Total	5,16,290	5,24,753	3,02,928	2,75,262	16,19,233	6,691	5,901	3,963	3,610	20,165	60	852	7,085	1,134	10,532	248	127	4 90	10 3	1 9	12:43		13,297	12,551	25,84

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Prices of Grain.

15. The following table shows the ruling prices of grain during the year. Better season

and a fair average out-turn account for the fall in the prices of all descriptions of grain:-

Grain.	Fusly 1276.	Fusly 1277.	Fusly 1278.
Paddy, 1st sort	279	207	195
Do. 2nd do	253	189	178
Cholum	355	252	9 220
Cumboo	300	216	185
Horse-gram	386	240	228
Raggy	333	244	201
Varagu	194	142	125

16. There were no fluctuations in the wages of labor. The Local and Imperial Public Works, and a few relief works which were in progress during the year, gave, together with agricultural labor, sufficient employment to all able-bodied men and women.

Ryots' Holdings.

17. Ryots' holdings at the commencement of the Fusly amounted to Acres 11,30,933,

assessed at Rupees 18,17,285. Of this extent Acres 45,223, assessed at Rupees 66,561, appear under the head "Lands given up;" but this is merely nominal, for only Acres 28,172, assessed at Rupees 36,774, were actually relinquished, the remaining having only changed hands. Acres 39,669, assessed at Rupees 47,184, were taken up afresh. This makes the extent actually in the occupation of the 1, 2ts during the year at Acres 11,41,879, assessed at Rupees 18,26,597.

Actual cultivation.

18. The actual cultivation shows an increase of Acres 12,606, assessed at Rs. 16,534,

over the past year. This is exclusive of "Waste charged."

Waste remitted.

19. Acres 1,975, assessed at Rupees 10,220,

were remitted. The whole of the remission

was on nunjah, and shows a decrease compared with the past year of Acres 1,876, assessed at Rupees 8,810. Careful inquiries were, as usual, made before this waste was remitted. There was no occasion to remit any punjah waste.

Waste charged.

20. Under this head there were Acres 20,870, assessed at Rupees 31,146. Most of this was punjah.

Final Settlement.

21. The subjoined statement shows in a comparative form the particulars of the settlement made.

	L	sr Fusly.	Per	SENT FUSLY.	Incri	EASE.	DEC	REASE.
Items.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Exte	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment
1 .	2	3	4	5	6 .	7	8	• 9
Dry	10,61,187 63,428	RS. A. P. \$3,72,986 0 1 4,23,357 2 0	10,74,593 65,311	R8. A. P. 13,84,307 7 3 4,32,068 15 7	13,406 1,883	RS. 11,321 8,712		RS.
	11,24,615	17,96,343 2 1	11,39,904	18,16,376 6 10	15,289	20,033		
Add Second crop assessment Additional assessment Water Tax Road Fund Village Service Fund		529 2 6 34,051 2 4 		79,088 13 6 1,10,958 0 8		6 2,441 10,706 2,203		
Total		2,00,861 12 4		20,43,450 15 6		35,389		
Deduct Remissions. Road Fund Village Service Fund Other remissions particularized in Statement No. 4.		68,382 14 6 1,08,755 6 9 1,77,245 1 1		79,088 13 6 1,10,958 0 8 1,49,495 6 2		10,706 2,203	······································	27,750
Total		3,54,383 6 6		3,39,542 4 4			••••••	14,841
Remaining beriz Add Miscellaneous items		10,53,678 5 10 85,967 11 5		17,03,908 11 2 83,514 10 6		50,230		2,453
Total		17,39,646 1 3		17,87,423 5 8		47,7 7	•	

I have already noticed the fluctuation in the first two items.

others, from North Arcot. 23. The system of second crop assessment prevails in only six villages, one of which (Oravandoor) belonged formerly to the Trichinopoly District, and the remaining, Thoragary and The assessment in the rest of the district is consolidated.

- No water-rate is levied in this district.
- 25. The increase in the Road Fund is owing to the Mootahdars having for the first time been assessed. The Act having allowed six months' time to make their returns, the whole assessment was not completed during the preceding year.
- 26. The Village Service Fund represents the deduction made in the gross beriz on account of the pay of village servants. The increased cultivation is the cause of the small increase under this head:
- 27. The remaining two items, namely, "Other remissions" and "Miscellaneous items," will be treated in their respective places.

Special Products. 28. The cultivation of sugar-cane, cotton, and indigo has been somewhat less than the preceding year, as will be seen from the annexed table. Cotton is produced in the district for Plocal consumption only, and the demand for indigo has diminished since the death of the senior partner of Mesers. Fischer and Co.-

LUSEI	1277.	Fusly 1278.		
xtent.	Assessment.	Extent. Ass	Assessment.	
1,543 15,830	9,814 22,761	1,308 12,089	8,985 16,995	
	1,543	1,543 9,814 15,830 22,761	1,543 9,814 1,308 15,830 22,761 12,089	

Principal sources of Irrigation.

29. The most important under this head are the three Cauvery channels, which yield to

the State a revenue of a little more than half a lac of Rupees. Anicuts of a minor nature, and tanks, particularized in the quinquennial statements, form the other sources.

Remissions.

30. The remissions for the year amount to Rupees 1,49,494, or Rupees 27,751 below the amount remitted during the past year. The decrease is almost all under the head of Shavy, as

will be seen from the following statement:-

Items.	Fusly 1277.	Fusly 1278.	Increase.	Decrease.
Occasional Remissions.			0	• •
Shavy	33,753	3,973		29,780
Palanastam	270	423	153	20,100
Progressive Cowle Remissions	€ 100	53		47
For Teaygary Remissions	850	833	0	17
Fassul Cummy	462	528	66	
Payamaly	44	213	169	
Neerkuly	25	25	••••	
Total	35,504	6,048		29,456
Fixed Remissions.				0
Fixed Cowle Remissions	994	994		********
Remissions on pasture lands	16,028	15,783		245
Total	17,022	16,777		245
Items allowed on the collection or from the entire beriz of villages.				
Share of Shrotriem proceeds	15,748	15,479		269
Allowance for heads of villages and Cur-	1,08,755	1,10,958	2,203	
nums, etc.		- 200		
Dasavandum shares	216	232	16	
Total	1,24,719	1,26,669	1,950	
Grand Total	1,77,245	1,49,494		27,751

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- 31. The more favorable character of the season called for little or no relief during the year under report.
- 32. The decrease in "Progressive cowle" is owing to the abandonment of the system. The abuse of the practice necessitated the change. The fixed or Cockburn cowle might be done away with by the entry in the accounts of the net assessment only. This might, however, be deferred till the new settlement comes into operation.
- 33. Pasture remissions vary in the district. They are one-fourth in the Talaghat and one-third in the Baramahal, and in no case is more than one-fourth of the whole holding granted for pasture.
- 34. The remissions under the head of Teaygary (Rupees 833) are allowed in accordance with the orders of the Board, dated the 25th October 1866, No. 7,715, to Brahmins holding lands under the Cauvery channels.
 - 35. The Trishwakum villages not having been finally settled by the Inam Commissioner the payment in ready money of the shrotriem shares continues.

Miscellaneous Revenue -- Statement No. 5.

36. The Miscellaneous revenue for the year shows a decrease of Rupees 5,142 as follows:—

Items.		Fusly 1277.	Fusly 1278.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous Abkarry Stamps		85,968 606 2,511	308		2,453 298 2,391
	Total	89,085	83,943		5,142

37. The decrease is chiefly in the Stamp Revenue and Sevoy Jama. There was not much cultivation subsequent to the Jummahbundy. The Teerwah Jasti on Inam Punjah amounts to Rupees 513-4-9, and this is included in Item No. 46 of Statement No. 5. The wet assessment in this district is not on the crop, but consolidated.

General result of Land Revenue.

38. The following statement gives the particulars under this head:—

Items.	Total demand.	Balance at the end of the Fusly.	Balance at the end of July 1869.	Percentage between columns 2 and 3.	Percentage between columns 2 and 4
1	2		4	5	6
Land Revenue.					
Shrotriem Jody	4,44, 9 51 36,399 17,03,909 83,515	1,10,649 17,125 1,72,244 23,219	80,242 12,687 1,08,389 19,442	25 47 10 28	18 35 16 28
Total.	22,68,774	3,23,237	2,20,760	14	10
Abkarry rent	2,91,100 308	74,649	39,063	25	13
Total.	2,91,408	74,649	39,063	25	13
D. M	of 17,122 1,54,014 120				
Total.	1,54,134				
Income Tax	735			••.••	·
Grand Total.	27,32,173	3,97,886	2,59,823		

Peishcush.

39. The decréase of Rupees 35-4-0 under this head is the reduction in the peishcush of

certain Mootahs under the orders of Board and Government as follows:-

Shrotriem Jody.

40. The decrease (Rupees 692-15-8) is owing to the inclusion in the last year's

demand of the arrears of quit-rent of former Fuslies, which remained uncollected pending the settlement of the Inam Commissioner.

Ryotwary and Miscellaneous Revenue.

41. The fluctuations under this head have already been explained in paragraphs 17 to 20 and 37 of this report.

Abkarry.

42. The Abkarry farm for Fusly 1278 brought at the sale 50 Rupees below the

revenue of the past year; the decrease of that amount appears under this head.

License Tax.

43. The Act under which this tax was collected ceased to exist towards the close of

the Fusly when the new Act came into force. The amount (Rupees 735) which appears under the latter head (Income Tax) is chiefly stoppages from public servants' salaries.

Stamps.

a . 44. The revenue under this head has risen during the year by Rupees 10,259. The

constant renewal of the Abkarry muchilkas accounts in a great measure for this increase.

A vision of Assessment.

45. The annexed statement shows, as

usual, the annual land revenue of several years,

commencing with Fusly 1264, or the year preceding the one in which the assessment of the district was revised:—

•	Fus	slies.			Dry.	Wet.	Garden.	Total.
1064					8,94,162	3,65,618	64,202	13,23,982
1264				***	9,39,787	3,91,367	40,131	13,71,285
1265	Mark Co.				10,70,810	4,06,400	42,489	15,19,699
1266					10,81,328	4,08,078	63,585	15,52,991
1267		•••	•••	• • • •				
1268	•••	•••	•••	•••	11,34,964	4,42,001	65,732	16,42,697
1269	•••		•••	•••	11,45,308	4,04,032	58,818	16,08,158
1270	•••		•••		11,67,366	4,17,337	59,687	16,44,319
1271					11,76,746	4,07,391	60,010	16,44,147
1272					12,13,915	4,32,439	60,194	17,06,548
1273					12,77,925	4,16,763	60,427	17,55,118
1274					12,81,886	4,09,104	56,995	17,47,98
1275					13,77,083	4,78,838		17,55,921
1276					12,71,852	4,89,651		17,61,508
1277					13,72,986	4,23,357		17,96,343
					13,84,307	4,32,069		
1278	(1)	***	Control of		10,04,007	4,02,000	的是是·*****	18,16,376

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46. It will be seen from the foregoing that there has been a steady improvement in the revenue year by year, notwithstanding the adverse nature of the seasons.

Demand, Collection, and Balance, Current.

47. Statement No. 7 shows the particulars under this head.

- 48. There was a balance of Rupees 80,242 at the end of July against Mootahs. Nearly one-half of this amount is in the Namkul Talook, and about Rupees 30,000 is due from Mootahs belonging to minor proprietors. These Mootahs have been placed under management of an establishment. In regard to the other Mootahs in arrears, accounts for the division and sale of portions of the estates are under preparation, and will be submitted to the Board in due course.
- 49. Such of the Inam villages as have been enfranchised by the Inam Commissioner have been advertised for sale on account of arrears due against them; others have been placed under management, in pursuance of the Hookumnamah rule.
- 50. For the recovery of the Ryotwary arrears, namely, Rupees 1,08,388, and the Miscellaneous Items, amounting to Rupees 19,442, coercive measures have been adopted. The landwill shortly be brought to sale, unless the arrears are paid up before the day fixed.
- 51. The balance under the head Abkarry is merely nominal. Against the balance there are the Calicut Bank shares of the contractors in deposit, and the amount will be realised in a few days.

Collections of Revenue.

52. The annexed statement shows the revenue collections for the Fusly compared with the past one:—

Items.	• 1	Fusly 1277		Fusly 1278.			Increase	Decrease
the development representation of the second	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.		increase	Decrease
Land Revenue.	•				•	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -		
Permanently settled	44,803	3,70,933	4,15,736	69,427	3,34,302	4,03,729		12,007
Jody on Shrotriem, etc., Villages	11,760	23,557	35,317	13,348	19,274	32,622	·····•	2,69
Ryotwar	49,490	13,85,005	14,85,095	2,32,653	15,31,666	17,64,319	3,29,224	
Miscellaneous	16,857	51,931	68,788	31,845	60,295	92,140	23,352	
Total	1, 32,910	18,32,026	19,54,936	3,47,278	19,45,537	22,92,810	3,37,874	
Abkarry &	48,508	1,81,745	2,30,253	63,431	2,16 759	2,80,190	49,937	
License Tax		20,001	20,001		17,123	17,12		2,87
Stamps		1,46,266	1,46,266		1,54,133	1,54,138	7,867	
Income Tax	•				7,35	730	731	· ····
Total	-	21,80,038	23,51,456	4,10,70	23,34,286	27,44,990	3,93,534	

^{53.} The cause of the arrears against "Permanently settled" has already been explained.

Arrears of Revenue of former Fuslies.

55. The particulars under this head are exhibited in Statement No. 8.

56. The arrears at the end of the Eusly amounted to Rupees 79,563. The subsequent collections up to the end of July reduced the balance to Rupees 76,288. Of this Rupees 36,088 are irrecoverable, and I beg that sanction may be given for writing them off the accounts. The amount (Rupees 36,088) recommended for remission includes Rupees 29,188, which was remitted during Fusly 1277 on account of Punjah Shavy. The sum was entered at the foot of column 11 of Statement 8 for the last year, and the explanation was given in paragraph 52 of my Jummah-bundy Report for that year, but somehow or other the Board seem to have lost sight of it, for it was not included in the amount for which sanction has been received. The amount, therefore, that has now been recommended anew for remission is only Rupees 6,900, and this has been set down as irrecoverable after careful inquiries made at the settlement.

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^{54.} The increase under the heads of Ryotwar, Miscellaneous, and Abkarry, is owing to the larger amount of arrears outstanding at the beginning of the Fusly under report compared with the past one.

- The amount recommended for remission extends over seven Fuslies, and every possible thersure has been adopted for its recovery but in vain. Property, both real and personal, has been sold, and it is only where the full amount of arrears have not by these means been realised that the difference has been entered under the "Irrecoverable" head.
- 58. The irrecoverable balance sanctioned to be written off in the Government Order of the 11th May 1869, No. 2,060, (Board's Proceedings, 17th June 1869, No. 435,) namely, Rupees 6,979-10-4, has been removed from the accounts of June. Rupees 29,188 referred to above remain unadjusted, as no sanction has been received, and the whole of this amount appertains to Fusly 1277.

Coercive Process.

59. Coercive measures were adopted against 2,425 ryots for recovering Rs. 27,093, but the property sold only fetched Rupees 3,071.

Charges.

shall now confine myself to "Charges" only.

60. The particulars of gross collections and charges under different heads of Revenue are exhibited in Statement No. 9. Having already noticed the fluctuations in the collections I

- 61. The increased number of Assistants serving in the district during the year, and the grant of deputation allowance to officers who performed the duties of the Collector, Sub-Collector, and Head Assistant Collector during my absence of five weeks' leave, explains the increase in the salary of Collectors, etc.
- 62. As usual the accounts in every talook were examined during the settlement and at other times, and I am glad to be able to state that on the whole they were satisfactory. I had, however, occasion to find some irregularity in the returning of irsalnamahs in the Salem Talook, and to notice severely the conduct of those concerned. Failure to return the village irsalnamahs punctually opens a wide door for fraud, and such has been the case in the Salem Talook. This matter has already been brought to the notice of the Board-Vide letter, dated 3rd August 1869, No. 169.

General Account and Treasury Department. The accounts in these departments 63. underwent the other day a thorough, personal examination by the Accountant General, who expressed himself pleased with the manner in which they were kept. Every endeavour is made in this department to submit the periodical accounts with despatch.

Lands of public Servants.

64. Lands acquired by public servants during the year were as follow:-

THE REPORT OF THE PARTY OF THE PARTY.	 Extent.	Assessmen
By Huzoor servants By Talook servants	137	356
By Talook servants	 - 113	284

Report of the Sub-Collector.

The report of the Sub-Collector on the settlement of the Talooks forming his division will be submitted as soon as it is received.

Remarks on the conduct of Subordinates.

- 66. No particular remarks seem called

for in regard to my subordinates. My Acting Sub-Collector, Mr. Price, continues to take the same pains with his work that he has hitherto evinced

Mr. Sharp, the Head Assistant, has only within the last few weeks joined the district.

Messrs. Overbury and Kough are both very promising officers, and their work shows judgment and industry.

My Head Sheristadar has rendered me, as usual, his valuable assistance, and I am glad to be able to repeat my approval and satisfaction regarding him.

My office establishment, with one exception, have given me satisfaction. The Head Writer (now absent) I shall not be able to allow to return to his post. He is, I believe, seeking to obtain employment elsewhere.

SALEM, 25th August 1869. (Signed) C. N. POCHIN,

Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to submit my Report on the Annual Settlement of the Talooks of this Division for Fusly 1278.

Stations at which the Settlement was made.,

2. The stations at which the settlement was made are shown in the appended statement. They are all within the Sub-division:—

•			
Name of the Officer who conducted the Jummah-bundy.	Talooks.	Places where Jummah- bundy was conducted.	Number of days occupied.
	Oossoor	Oodenhalli	15
J. F. Price, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Kistnagherry	Royacottah Kistnagherry Mallapadi Mathoor Velambatti Kaveripatnam	37
	Dharampoory	Palcode	20
		Total	72

Variation in the number and tenure of Villages.

3. The number of Shrotriem villages is increased by one, owing to the enfranchisement

of the Inam village of Singasadampally in the Bhagaloor Poliput.

Remarks on Puttahs.

Season.

4. The number of puttahs was 67,112, which exceeded that of last year by only 200. This is too small an increase to require notice.

5. The season throughout the division was remarkably good. In Kistnagherry Talook,

which suffered during the year 1868, the dry crops were heavier than had been seen for the last twenty years. In Oossoor the harvest of all kinds was excellent, and in Dharampoory good. The out-turn both of wet and dry crops has been everywhere far above the average of past years; and this, coupled with a most satisfactory state of public health, and the absence of cattle disease, has rendered the season under report in every way note-worthy as a good one.

Sanitary state of the Division.

6. The sanitary condition of the division was extremely good. There was not a single case of cholera reported, and small-pox did not commit such ravages as in former years. Fever, but of a mild type, prevailed after the rains in the parts of the Kistnagherry Talook bordering on the ghauts, and also in the Oossoor and Denkencottah divisions. It was not nearly so fatal or o virulent as that which occurred here and at Denkencottah in 1867 and 1868. By making its appearance just at the time of harvesting of dry grains it caused the ryots some inconvenience and hindrance in their work, but it soon passed away. The natives attributed it, and I think with reason, to the sudden and very luxuriant growth of vegetation, consequent on the heavy rains at the beginning of the year. The Dharampoory and Pennagaram divisions suffered but little from the disease.

7. There was hardly any cattle disease, and the deaths from this cause amongst stock were incomparably smaller than those which occurred in the two years preceding that under report.

Prices. 8. The prices of all kinds of grain were, during the past year, much lower than during the previous season. The fact that they were is obviously attributable to the excellent harvest, the effect of which on the market is still being felt. Exportations continued to be much the same as in 1868, but the supply of grain being great prices were not in an appreciable degree affected

Ryots' Holdings.

9. The annexed abstract shows the particulars of the holdings of ryots during the year under report:-

Description.	Extent.	Assessment.
Ryots' Holdings for Fusly 1277	3,88,340 14,309	RS. 4,88,367 .14,485
Add lands taken up in Fusly 1278	3,77,031 17,547	4,73,882 19,976
Total holdings of Fusly 1278	3,94,578	4,93,858

From this it' will be seen that the lands taken up during the year exceeded those relinquished by Acres 6,238, assessed at Rupees 5,491-1-9. I attribute this to a good season, and to the increasing appreciation by the people of the merits of high prices and easy rents.

Actual cultivation. Assessment. Fuslies. Acres. R8. A. P 4,88,366 8 8 4,93,857 10 5 1271 3,88,340 1278 3,94,578

10. The marginal note shows the actual cultivation of the last as compared with the previous year; there being an increase in the former of Acres 6,238, assessed at Rs. 5,491-1-9.

which, in my opinion, arises from the causes referred to above.

Waste charged and waste remitted.

11. The abstract of waste charged and waste remitted is given below:-

Fuslies.	Charged.	Remitted.		
1277 1278	Rs. A. P. 7,839 10 7 9,879 15 3	RS. A. P. 9,861 14 5 4,379 9 6		
Decrease		5,482 4 11		

The decrease, namely, Rupees 5,482-4-11, is owing to the favorable nature of the season having rendered remissions unnecessary.

Shavy Remissions.

12. The amount remitted under the head of Shavy was but Rupees 72-15-7, which was less than one-thirteenth of the sum remitted in Fusly 1277. The decrease in this item is Ru-

pees 1,235-6-8.

Special Products.

13. There was in the year under report the petty decrease in the cultivation of sugarcane of Rupees 92-12-11. Neither cotton nor indigo were raised. The climate and soil of the division appears nowhere to be suited to the successful growth of either of the last named products. Carolina paddy has hardly yet the footing of a special product, and as separate reports have been sent in with regard to its cultivation it does not here appear necessary to do more than to allude to it.

Land and Sundry sources of Revenue.

14. The following abstract shows the particulars under this head:--

Items	Fusly 1277.		Fusly 1278.		Increase.			Decrease.				
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	Δ.	P.	RS.	Р.	P.	RS.	Α.	P
Permanently settled	75,94	8 4	2	75,948	4	2						
Not permanently settled, including Shrotriem Jody.				11,385	4	4				641		
Ryotwar	4,36,149	9 14	7		4	11	12,723	6	4	La, He		
ous	45,133	3 2	1	67,678	13	10	22,545	11	9			•
Total	5,69,258	8. 0	10			3	34,627	10	5			
Forest Revenue Abkarry, including Miscel-	18,03	5 15	7	18,005	13	1				30	2	6
laneous	1,07,45	o o	• 0	99,040	Q	0				8,410	0	0
License Tax, including Mis- cellaneous	6,83	7 4	0	6,291	11	0	·			445	9	0
Stamps, including Miscella- neous	11 00	4 5	.0	41,075	14	0				2,948	7	0
• Grand Total	7,45,60	5 .0	5	7,68,399	1	4	22,793	7	11			

It will be observed that there is an increase of Rupees 22,793-7-11 in favor of the Fusly under report. The causes of increase and decrease are given below.

Not permanently settled, including Shrotriem Jody.

15. The decrease under this head (Bupees 641-7-8) is an apparent one only, being the result of comparison with the beriz of Fusly 1277, which included the collection of outstanding arrears of Inam quit-rent and Jody of previous Fuslies. There were no such collections in the year under report.

Byotwar.

16. The increase in this item is owing to the small amount of remissions granted, and

to the extended cultivation alluded to in paragraph 9.

Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.

17. The chief point calling for notice, under this head is the Road Fund, in which the

Increase amounts to Rupees 21,110-5-10. This is due to the fact that the arrears of Fuslies 1276 and 1277 were, during the year under report, collected and brought to account. The other items are of too trifling a nature to require remark.

Abkarry.

18. There is a falling off of Rupees 8,410 in the revenue derived from this source. This

is owing, I believe, to the bids for the farm having been lower than formerly, and to the new system of selling it by talooks.

Stamps.

19. There is a decrease under this head of Rupees 2,948-7-0. The cause of this is

one which it is difficult to determine. My opinion is that the people have found that litigation is at times too expensive and that they have become aware, in a greater degree than they were in Fusly 1277, of the Board's orders on the subject of Durkhasts, Revenue petitions, etc.

Demand, Collection, and Balance of all sources of Revenue. 20. Of the total demand of Rs. 7,68,399-1-4
the collection within the Fusly was Rupees 6,52,248-0-9. Further collections up to 31st July amounted to Rupees 24,510-7-7, leaving a balance to be collected of Rupees 91,640-9-0. Orders to push collections have been issued to the Tahsildars. The recent orders of the Board of Revenue, directing the service by Village Officers, without fee of any kind, of demands for the payment of arrears of revenue is, and I think with some show of reason, assigned as a cause for short collections.

lars under this head. The arrears of all sources of Fusly 1277 were Rupees 1,80,015 4-7. Of this Rs. 68,440-7-2 were collected during the year under report, and Rupees 25,216-3-7 remitted, leaving a balance of Rupees 14,358-9-10. Subsequent collections up to 31st July amount to Rs. 784-4-8. Of the remainder, namely, Rupees 13,574-5-2, Rupees 11,182-7-10 are recoverable, Rupees 329-12 0 doubtful, and Rupees 2,062-1-4 irrecoverable. The last of these items consists in the most part of unrealised dues on lands sold for arrears; shavy remissions granted subsequent to the settlement; punjah shavy remissions given under the authority of Proceedings of the Board of Revenue marginally noted; and Income Tax

No. 1,963, dated 19th March 1868.

assessed under the old Act, which last, though set down in each Jummahbundy report for the last four years as an irrecoverable amount, has not yet been struck off the demand.

Interest.

22. A separate statement, showing the interest realised under each head of Revenue, is enclosed.

Coercive Process.

23. Processes were issued for the collection of arrears, amounting to Rupees 4, 287-1-9,

but property, amounting to only Rupees 890-4-2, was actually sold.

Talook and Village accounts.

24. The Talook and Village accounts were examined, the latter most carefully, and there

was a manifest improvement in the way in which they were kept. The use of English figures, and the cleanliness and due preservation of the accounts themselves, have been enforced. The Talook accounts were correct and in proper order.

Lands acquired by public Servants.

25. A list of the lands acquired by public servants is transmitted herewith.

Conduct of public Servants.

26. This has, with one exception, been very good. Chakrapani Row, a Goomastah in

the Dharampoory Talook, was convicted by the Sessions Court of embezzling money connected with Local Funds, and sentenced to undergo five years' rigorous imprisonment.

Oossoor, 2 17th August 1869. (Signed) J. F. PRICE, Acting Sub-Collector.

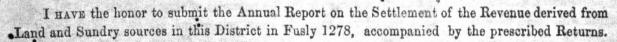
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(Signed) C. N. POCHIN, Collector.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

SOUTH CANARA.



•Villages at which the settlement was made.

2. These are shown below :-

Names of Talool	KB.	Stations where tlement was n		Period occupied in each Talook.
By H. S. Thomas, Fsq., Acting Collector	Mangalore	Mudbidri Gurpur Mangalore		Four days.
Do. do	Udipi :	Brahmawar Perdur Udipi		Seven days.
• Do.• do	Kundapur	Kap Karkal Baindur		
		Wandse Shenkranarain.		Six days.
By J. Sturrock, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector.	Kassergode	Kundapur Adur Bedadka Hosdrug	:::	Six days.
Do. do	Uppinangadi .	Kassergode Manjeshwar. Beltangadi.		- 100 m 7
		Dharmastal. Golitattu Uppinangadi.		Eight days.
		Bellare Sullya	:::	

Number of Puttahs.

Fusly 1277 89,205 39,395 Increase... 190 3. The total number of puttahs for the year (by which is represented the total number of ryots' holdings in the district) was 39,395, exclusive of Wurgs lying fallow. Of these the number of freshly issued puttahs was 656, viz.,

245 for lands newly taken up for cultivation; 3 for estates, the revenue of which was formerly

assigned for Inams, but which has since reverted to Government, the Inams having been converted into money payments and brought under regular audit; 7 for Wurgs which had been left fallow, and which were again brought under cultivation; and 401 for some of the Wurgs, the puttahs of which had not been produced by the ryots for alteration. The number of puttahs which were modified by additional entries was 189, while those in which no alteration at all was made were 38,550.

during the year under report shows an increase of 7 inches and 62 cents over the quantity which fell during the previous year:—

		Months.	C.	Faren			1867-68.	2868-69
90.04 of 12.00 c	-	-	_	Manager Manager			0 0-	Fig. 1940-000
April				•••			0.30	2.47
May			·				1.60	3.71
June			•••				32.78	66.84
July						•••	41.81	34.95
August							29.54	19.45
September	•••						18.74	7.34
				6		Cotal	124.77	134.76
					Ave	rage	20.79	22:46
October	•••				1		5.67	2.42
November							0.55	1.62
December								 Yuman kangan 2006 da 1916
January					***		0.19	
February								
March	•••				•••		,	
					* 1	Fotal	6.41	4:04
¢					Ave	rage	2.13	2.02
			. 6		Grand T	Cotal	131.18	138.80
				c	Net Inc	rease		7.62
				0		APPENDING TO	1	

For the first rice crops the rain-fall was more than sufficient; it was abundant, but the second and third crops suffered considerably on account of the rain failing in the months of September and October. The luxuriance of the first crops compensated for the subsequent failures—witness the general fall in the average price of grain in the face of increased exportations.

The cocoanut and areca gardens seem not to have been affected by mere irregularity without deficiency of rain-fall, for their produce was apparently larger than in the previous year, as evidenced by increased exports.

Sanitary Condition.

5. This was on the whole satisfactory.

Cholera and small-pox showed themselves but to
a very limited extent and in but few localities, and the deaths from both these causes were very
few. The district was not, however, altogether free from its annual fever, the fever which proved
so destructive in the preceding year, but the mortality was this year reduced by half. Measures were

adopted as in the previous year to affor d relief to the sick by sending out medicines and all the available medical aid.

•	Fuslies. •	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Other causes.	Total.
1277. 1278.	e 1	202 137	275 113	10,498 5,536	10,356 10,780	21,331 16,566
	Difference.	65	Decrease. 162	4,962	Increase, 424	Net decrease. 4,765

Health of Cattle.

	1	Deaths.	
Fuslies.	From Disease, etc.	By wild Beasts.	Total.
•1277 1278	70 000	1,690	20,110 19,569
Decrease		6	541

The mortality among cattle, compared with that in the previous year, again shows favorably. There is a decrease of 541 deaths. This is the more satisfactory as I believe the figures are more reliable than any hitherto obtained, as I have made arrangements for information of the deaths among cattle in each village being forwarded along with the village Mortuary returns. The death-rate is 3.83 on the agricultural stock of the district, and I am inclined to think that it

would have been still further reduced but for the failure of rain and consequent failure of pasturage in the latter part of the monsoon. The figures given include deaths from all causes, whether by disease, age, or wild beasts, and it is by the improvement in the number of deaths from wild beasts that the mortality has been mainly reduced. In February 1868 I calculated that, at a low estimate, the peasants of the district lost more than a lakh of Rupees per annum in horned cattle killed by panthers and tigers, but mainly by panthers. This was as bad as a grievous murrain, but the enhanced and ready rewards for their destruction have in less than two years already worked a very marked improvement, and the loss of cattle from this cause has been reduced by about three-fourths.

Prices.

6. The wholesale prices of grains are

6. The wholesale prices of grains are shown in the subjoined statement compared

with those of Fusly 1277, and the average of the previous ten years :-

Grains.	Average of ten years from Fusly 1268 to 1277.	Fusly 1277.	Fusly. 1278.	Differenc pared w	e as com- rith the rage.	Per centage	pared wi	e as com- th Fusly 77.	Per centage
English from Charles	RS.	RS.	RS.	Increase.	Decrease.		Increase.	Decrease.	•
Paddy, 2nd sort, per garce	159	144	148		11	7.43	4	*****	2.78
Rice, 1st sort, per garce	458	453	448		10	2.45		5	1.11
Rice, 2nd sort, per garce	359	312	335		24	7.16	23		7:37
Raggy	231	252	228		3	1:31		24	10.52
Horse-gram	282	284	305	23		8.16	21		7:39

There was a fall in the price of first sort rice and raggy, which usually form the first crops raised in the district; the obvious cause thereof being the abundance of the yield of this crop, as already

stated in paragraph 4. The rise is the prices of other grains is similarly attributable to their stantiness, they being grains usually cultivated after the first crops are reaped, and consequently later in the year when rain was, as above shown, deficient.

Exports of Rice by sea,

7. There was a material increase in these during the year under report, as shown in the subjoined table :--

			A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	
Ports.	Fusly 1277.	Fusly 1278.	Increase.	Decrease.
Dutiable Ports.	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS.
Arabia and other Ports in the Persian Gulf	65,080 44,585 54,885	76,554 58,461 1,04,407	11,474 13,876 49,522	
Free Ports.	Ally Tr	era C salar radio		
Bombay	92,800 925 5,90,457	1,07,637 304 2,409 462 6,22,135	14,837 2,409 462 31,678	621
Total	8,48,732	9,72,369	1,24,258	621
Net Increase			1,23,637	

The coasting trade had been almost at a stand-still in the previous year, owing to the rise in freight on account of the demands thereon of the Abyssinian expedition. That expedition having come to a close the export trade has recovered itself.

Exports of Coffee.

8. These show a falling off, which is attri-buted to the presence of the "Coffee borer" in the plantations of Mysore and Coorg.

	Ports.	i.	6	Car	Fusly 1277.	Fusly 1278.	Increase.	Decrease.
London				.5.,	cwi. 29,942	CWT. 23,622	, CWT.	cwr. 6,320
France			•••		3,576	5,719	2,143	
Arabia and Persian Gulf		***			22,044	20,231	,	1,813
Other Ports	•••				17,995	11,972	.2,	6,023
					73,557	61,544	2,143	14,156
		N	et Decr	ease				12,013

Ryots' Holdings.

The district not having been surveyed the extent of ryots' holdings is unknown.

Onlivation and Settlement -Statement No. 3.

10. The extent of cultivation cannot be given, as no accounts are kept in this district of the actual amount of land under tillage. The following Abstract, however, shows the gross assessment, the remissions, and the net revenue, including "Miscellaneous Items," as compared

with the results of the preceding Fusly.

A .- Comparative Statement of Cultivation and Settlement.

		LAST FUSLY			I	RESENT FUS	LY.		INC	REASE.	DE	CREASE.
Items.	Extent.	Assessme	nt.		Extent.	Assessme	ent.		Fxtent	Assess- ment.	Extent.	Assess-
1	2	3			4	5			6	7	8	9
Dry		13,83,188 42,771	4	5	•••	Rs. 13,85,103 42,759	15	260.7		•RS. 1,966	, 	RS 12
Total		14,25,909	15	4		14,27,865	10	6		1,966		12
Road Fund		42,771 • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	•••		•••	42,759		••		7,411	•	
• Total		77,730	15	5		85,130	1	0	•••	7,411		12
Remaining Beriz Add "Miscellaneous Items," as per Statement No. 5		13,48,178 45,346	1			13,42,733 63,907	•			18,561	••	5,445
• Total		13,93,525	7	8	WA.	14,06,641	0	5		18,561		5,445
Net Increase	19.3		•							13,116	T.,	

The state of the s	
ch may be explained as follows :-	There is a net increase under Ryotwar revenue, which
BS. A. P.	
13,63,138 4 5	Amount of settlement for Fusly 1277
1,980 5 1	
• 89 6 6	Government
	Assessment of certain estates formerly assigned as Inams, but which have reverted to Government either in consequence of the lapse of the allowances to Government, or their having been converted into ready money
2,330 13 4	payments
13,85,469 1 9	
10,00,700 1 3	Deduct—Assessment of two estates and of portions of
364 11. 3	North Canara during the arrangement of the boundary.
0 7 1 365 2 4	Assessment of lands taken up for public pur-
Fusly 1277 13,85,103 15 5	Net assessment for I

Difference between Fusly 1277 and 1278...

11. I now proceed to explain the fluctuations in the other items, viz., "Remissions" and "Miscellaneous items of Land Revenue."

Permanent Remissions.

. Fusly	1277 1278				ns. 1,44,552 1,41,260	6	1
		n	ecre	ase.	291	13-	8

12. The amount standing under this head in the accounts of the last Fusly was Rupees 1,44,552-6-1. This has been reduced during the year under review to Rupees 1,44,260-8-5 by the exclusion of a sum of Rupees 293-12-9

out of the last year's remissions, and the admission of Rupee 1-15-1 as resh fremissions during the year, as shown below:—

	RS.	A.	P.	
Amount struck off the accounts of this district, being the Land tax under remission on certain estates transferred to the dis-			•	* TO 100
trict of North Canara	12	11	0	
Assessment imposed on certain Inam lands in consequence of the lapse of the Inams to Government and the conversion of others				STATE OF
into money payments direct from the Treasury	'281	1	9	
Total	902	10	-	
	290	1.0	9	
Deduct remissions transferred from the district of North			S A	
Canara 1 8 0				
Do. assessment remitted on lands taken up for public				
purposes 0 7 1	•	1.5		
	. ,1	15	1	
Net reduction	991	12	8	STATE OF THE PARTY
Feet reduction	201			
	TAXABLE PROPERTY.	and the least th	CUSTO	

Temporary Remissions .- Statement No. 4.

13. These show a net increase of Rupees 7,411-1-5, of which, however, Rupees 6,911-15-4 is the amount of the salary of village servants deducted from the collections of the Land revenue and credited to the "Village Service"

Fund," under the instructions conveyed in Board's Circular Memorandum, No. 238, dated the 12th March 1869; the remainder is composed of the net increase in the aggregate of the remissions allowed in the following items:—

Item No. 1.—Shamilat Burger, (portions of fields left uncultivated.)

The decrease appearing under this head arises from portions of some of the estates which were lying fallow having been brought under cultivation and charged with assessment during the year under report, and also from some other nates having been resigned by the holders, and

consequently transferred from this head to that of "Lands unoccupied," (Item No. 13,) and from several other estates having been placed under the head "Deficiency of land and over-assessment" for reasons which will be explained under that head.

Item No. 4.-Land flooded or injured by water.

Item No. 6 .- Cowle Remissions.

The increase under this item is the amount of remission allowed on portions of four Wurgs (estates) which had been washed away by the rivers in the Udipi and Mangalore Talooks.

These have resulted in a decrease of Rupees 251-14-5, consequent on the terms of certain cowles having matured. Item No. 10,-Loss of Crops.

Item No. 12 .- Waste Salt Pans,

Fusly 1277	STATE LONG STATE OF THE STATE OF THE	8s. A. 8,129 2 3,115 4	11
	Decrease	18 14	-

pan having been brought under rice and garden cultivation.

Item No. 18.—Lands unoccupied.

	No. of Wurgs.	Assessment
Wurgs lying waste in Fusly 1277. Deduct Wurgs brought under cultivation in Fusly 1278	850	RS. A. P 4,958 14 6
Add Wurgs remaining uncultivated in Fusly 1278	843	4,811 1 7 1,119 8 1
	408	5,980 9 8
	58	971 10 11

Item No. 14. - Deficiency of land and Over-assessment.

				MELLOS PLOY, PHILAD	
	Section 1			RS.	A. P.
Fusly	1277	***		9,749	3 4
				-	-
		Increa	se	1,374	4 8

The decrease of Rupees 46-8-0 arises from the assessment of a certain estate having been raised and a sum of Rupees 37-12-0 out of last year's remissions having been transferred to the heads "Lands unoccupied," and "Deficiency of land and over-assessment,"

The decrease under this head consists of a portion of the assessment on a certain Wurg in the Kassergode Taleok, which was hither remitted on account of its containing a wate salt pan, but which has now been collected; the salt

This item presents a net increase of 58 estates in the number of those remaining unoccupied, representing an assessment of Rupees 971-10-11. The number was swelled during the year under report by transfers from other items of remissions, the estates so transferred occurring chiefly in the Uppinangadi Talook, in which alone no less than 43 estates had to be placed under this head in addition to the large number already on the list. The unhealthiness of the localities where the lands are situated, and the consequent difficulty of bringing them under cultivation, are the causes which operate to keep the lands without occupants.

(1.) As will be seen from the marginal statement there has been a comparatively large increase in the remissions allowed under this head which calls for an explanation. It is in great measure the result of an exceptional mode

of settlement adopted by me as regards a certain number of Kambharti estates in the Kundapur, Udipi, and Mangalore Talooks, a portion of the assessment of which was hitherto placed under this as well as other heads of temporary remissions, and which assessment, though nominally berne in the accounts, was never realized. It has been the practice-hitherto to have such portions of these estates as are brought under cultivation each year surveyed by the village Shanbhogs, and to charge an assessment calculated with reference to the estimated produce of such lands as ascertained and reported by these servants. The result of this was that the assessment thus, fixed was found inadequate in some cases and excessive in others, and a door was constantly opened to the village servants for corruption, and for oppressing or favoring the ryots as suited their interests by exaggerated or disproportionate estimates. To obviate these evils, and to reduce as much as possible the trouble entailed on the Settlement Officer in scrutinizing the capabilities of each estate at each successive settlement, I adopted the following principle of assessment, having reference more to the area than to the estimated produce of the land:-Taking the ascertained area of each estate as the basis of the calculation I applied to it an assessment calculated at the average standard rates prevailing elsewhere as regards other fully assessed estates. In every case in which the assessment thus calculated did not exceed the taram, but fell short of the previous year's settlement, I raised it to the latter amount, informing the ryot, where good reasons existed for not further enhancing the assessment, that it would never be so raised. In other cases, where the new

assessment though less than the taram exceeded the previous year's settlement, I adopted the new assessment itself as the future fixed demand against the ryot, allowing in some instances in which such indulgence was called for the usual period to bring it to that standard, and placing the difference between the taram and the present assessment as remissions under this head on the ground of over-assessment.

The result of this arrangement has been that on 126 estates, thus settled Rupees 2,450-8-5

Talooks.	No. of Estate.	Param Beriz.	Sottlement of Fusly 1277.	Settlement of Fusly 1278, including the amount to be prospectively raised.	Remission.
Kundapur Udipi Mangalore	8	RS. A. P. 6,527 5 6 237 4 10 8 x 2 5	RS. A. P. 3,967, 11,11 106 14 10 5 0 0		Rs. A. P. 2,342 12 9 104 9 3 3 2 5
Total	126	6,772.12 9	£4,139 10 ¢9	4,322 4 4	2,450 8 5

had to be foregone at the last settlement as virtually a permanent remission on the lands out of the taram beriz, to which I request the sanction of the Board of Revenue. I must here observe that a similar mode of dealing with Kambharii estates was adopted by me in the Uppinangadi Talook during the settlement of Fusly 1277,

as reported in paragraph 13 of my Settlement Report for that Fusly, and was very acceptable to the ryots as avoiding the annual surveys and the interference of the village servants.

(2.) Independently of the above remissions I have to seek the sanction of the Board for excluding from the demand, in the future accounts of this district; a sum of Rupees 108-12-10.

being the assessment of two nominal estates in the Kassergode Talook, for which no lands are forthcoming. One (No. 51) of these has the name of "Dubara Jafti" on the register without, however, any owner or claimant for it, or any land apper-

taining thereto; and from inquiries made it appears that certain assessment, which was formerly paid to a Hindoo pagoda in the Adur village, was once confiscated by Tippoo, but through a mistake the same assessment was again credited in the eccounts on the Company's accession as a fresh resumption while making out a list of all resumed Inams and privileges in the district; but there, being no land forthcoming on which to charge the said assessment it has ever since continued to be entered under the head of "Remissions."

No land is also forthcoming for the other Estate, No. 74, nor is there the name of any owners or any sist entered for it in the Chitta or Register of the estate, and it appears that the entry of the assessment in the accounts was a fictitious one from the very beginning to make up some deficiency in the total demand of the village.

The retention of both these nominal Wurgs in the accounts being of no use I propose, with the Board's permission, to strike them off entirely from the ensuing Fusly 1279.

Item No. 15 .- Board Shifaras.

Item No. 16 .- General circumstances of Distress.

The decrease of Rupees 23-5-9 is a portion of the assessment remitted on two Wurgs in Mangalore and another in the Uppinangadi Talook in the previous Fusly 1277, but which has now been reimposed, the lands being found capable of bearing the same.

The decrease under this head arises from Rupees 44-14-7 remitted in the former year on account of complete prostration of all the farm servants from fever and for other causes having been transferred to the head "Over-assessment" for the reasons stated under that head.

Item No. 17 .- Deficiency of Produce.

Tiruwalli Wurgs.

The decrease under this head is likewise the amount of remissions transferred to the head "Over-assessment" for the reasons stated therein.

14. I beg to bring to the notice of the Board a slight alteration made by me in the mode of

assessing three estates in the Mangalore Talook called "Tiruwalli Wurgs," with an aggregate extent of Acres 11-9-12, as it involves a modification of the settlement of my predecessors.

The terms on which these lands have been hitherto held are the following.—One Anna seven Pies has been charged for each cocoanut tree that came into bearing, but as there was no fixed time within which the land was required to be planted, and as the land is suited to nothing but cocoanut trees, it remained optional with the ryots to hold, the land and yet keep it practically waste and free from land tax as long as they liked. It was also necessary that the lands should be annually inspected and the cocoanut trees in bearing counted and reported. Though the assessment, if the land had been properly planted, would have amounted to Rupees 133-7-11, and ought many years ago to have reached this figure, the sum actually paid has been only Rupees 9-14-5. I have assessed the land at Rupees 4 an acre, and informed the ryots that this amount and no more will be regularly collected, and that the annual inspection of, and report on the number of fruit-bearing cocoanut trees they may have will be discontinued. The result of this measure is to fix an assessment on the whole land of Rupees 44-15-7, and to collect it at once in lieu of holding over it a mythical Rupees 133-7-11, of which only Rupees 9-14-5 is really collected.

Extent of land cultivated with special Products.

	F	ualies		Extent.	Price of Jaggery per Caudy.
1	•	•		ACRES.	Rg.
1 27	7	***	 **	940	56
1 27			 ***	946	47
100				Increase 6	Decrease 9

Land Revenue, Miscella eous Items .- Statement No. 5.

15. There has been during the year under report a slight increase in the extent of land cultivated with sugar-cane, the only special product grown to any extent in South Canara, but the price of this article shows a falling off, which is attributable to a less demand for exportation.

16. The revenue from this source results in a net increase of Rupees 18,560, the chief items which have contributed to it being the sale proceeds of Amindivi coir, the rent deriver from a certain Cardamom farm, and the sale proceeds

of waste lands sold subject to assessment. The latter two items have been for the first time credited to "Land Revenue, Miscellaneous," during the year under review.

(2.) The increase in the sale proceeds of Amindivi coir amounts to 17,860 Rupees, and is

attributable partly to a larger quantity of coir yarn having, out of last year's stock, been available for sale than in the previous year, and partly also to the prices realised at the auction

sales having been very favorable owing to a keen competition among the purchasers; the average prices obtained being 58 per cent, higher than those of the preceding Fusly. The coir yarn supplied by the Islanders this year was of a somewhat better quality than that delivered before. Of the 676 candies imported 380 candies arrived before 1st March, and the rest after that period.

- The system of rewards, as well as penalties approved in G. O., 6th December 1867, No. 2,296, was enforced in some cases to ensure early deliveries in next year.
- (3.) The increase of 800 Rupees in item No. 28 is the rent of a Cardamom farm in the Uppinangadi Talook leased to a certain ryot under Board's Proceedings, dated the 12th November 1866, No. 8,128. The rent was hitherto credited to Forest revenue, but it has been brought under this item during the year under report, it being properly an item of Miscellaneous Land Revenue.
- (4.) There is a slight increase in some other minor items, such as "Shivoy kist," "Ground rent," etc., but these do not seem to require any particular remark.

Item No. 38 .- Coomery Cultivation,

	land o	cult	i-	Reve	nue).
Fusly 1277. Amount included in the Jum-	ACRES.	G.	A .	RS	٨.	P
mahbunde Punished with confiscation of	5,028	13	3	8,481	9	4
crop, etc				64	8	5
Total	5,028	13	3	8,546	1	9
Fusly 1278. Amount included in the Jummahbundy	4,587		6	4,722	11	9
Total	1,587	32	6	4,722	11	9
Decrease	440	20	13	8,823	6	0

Sundry Sources of Revenue.

The tax derived from the cultivation of coomery shows a considerable falling off during the year under report, as there is a decrease both in the extent of land subjected to this mode of cultivation and the assessment levied on it. The falling off is not however, I am inclined to think, any indication that the people have abstained from this objectionable cultivation; but on the contrary it appears that the fear of a criminal prosecution for all excess, and unauthorized clearings above a certain percentage, has deterred many from cultivating more than is legitimately allowed in each ryot's puttah.

17. The following statement shows the particulars of Sundry sources of revenue, resulting in a net increase of Rupees 21,798:—

		Fusly	Fusly	DIFFERENCE.		
Items.		1277.	1278.	Increase.	Decrease.	
		RS.	PS.	RS.	RS.	
Abkarry, including Miscellaneous Items	*	1,06,378	1,02,434		3,944	
Salt, do. do.	e	F 01 000	5,57,171		4,718	
Sea Customs, do. do.		56,344	70,834	14,490		
Stamps, do. do.		1,49,989	1,61,081		·	
Accessed Taxes, do. do.		7,610	11,941	4,331		
Income Tax			547	547		
••	Total	8,82,210	9,04,008	80,460	8,662	

There is an increase in all items except Abkarry and Salt.

(1.) The decrease in the Abkarry revenue is attributable to the fact of two* of the five farms of this district having sold for a less amount than the rents of the previous year, when they were put up to auction under Board's

Proceedings, dated 4th March 1868, No. 1,553; the former contractors having declined to hold them on the terms of the preceding year's contract in consequence of a reduction made in the number of sheps and places of manufacture under the Board's orders. It has, however, since more than recovered.

Salt.

	Fuslies.					Home consumption.	Inland consumption	
Fusly	1277 1278					IND. MDS. 1,65,142 1,71,757	IND. MDS. 1,62,268 1,54,748	
			Diffe	renc	ө	Increase. 6,615	Decrease. 7,520	

Sea Customs.

- (2.) The decrease in the Salt revenue, occurs solely in the sales for Inland consumption while there is an increase in Home sales. The former always depend on the number of carts coming down from above the ghauts with coffee and other goods for exportation, as they take a load of salt in return. As there was a considerable falling off in the usual exports of coffee during the year under report there has resulted a decrease in the Inland sales of salt.
- (3). The increase under this head is chiefly attributable to a larger quantity of grain having been exported during the year under report to Foreign or Dutiable ports.
- (4.) The Stamp revenue shows a steady increase notwithstanding the frauds-committed by the introduction of counterfeit stamps, the extent of which, and of the loss thus entailed on Government, has not yet been fully ascertained. The present increase is no doubt to be attributed
- to increased dealings among the people, while the renewal of the Abkarry contracts for a period of three years at the close of the Fusly, which necessitated the use of a large number of stamps for agreements and muchilkas, has also in some measure contributed to the increase.

Assessed Taxes.

(5.) A large portion of the amount due under the License Tax Act for 1867-68 had been collected before the end of Fusly 1276, so that little remained to be recovered under that Act in Fusly 1277; while the collections for Fusly 1278 represent almost the whole of the

amount due under the Certificate Tax for 1868-69, which was collected in the year under report. This accounts for the apparent increase in this item.

• 18. The following is an Abstract showing the revenue from both land and sundry sources, resulting in a net increase of Rupees 34,914 over the total revenue of the previous Fusly:—

	Items.	•	Fusly 1277	Fusly 1278.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. 2.	Land Revenue Sundry Sources of Revenue	*	0 00 010	Rs. 14,06,641 9,04,008	RS. 13,116 21,798	RS.
	•	Total	22,75,735	23, 10, 649	34,914	

Demand, Collection, and Balance of all sources of Current Revenue.

19. This is shown in the subjoined table:-

Items.	Deman	d.	Collect	tion.	Bala	nce.	Subsequent collections in July, Fusly 1279.	Balance.
Land Revenue Sundry Sources	14,06,641		5 13,99,507	7 8 2	7,133	A. P. 8 3	2,809 0 7	Rs. A. P. 4,324 7 8
• Total	23,10,648	14	23,03,515	6 0	7,133	8 3	2,809 0 7	4,324 7 8

It will appear that the outstanding balance of Land revenue was reduced by subsequent collections to Rupees 4,324-7-8. Steps have been taken for the early realization of this balance, but a large portion of the average stands against the Kadpara lands in the Kassergode Talook, regarding the reduction of the assessment of which I have separately addressed the Board in my letter, No. 1,088, dated the 13th instant.

Demand, Collection, and Balance of Arrears.

20. These are shown below: -

Items.	Land Revenue.			Sundry Sour- ces of Revenue.			Total.		
Balance at the commencement of the Fusly Amount collected within the Fusly		A. 9 4	P. 5	RS. 1,733 1,733	A. 5	r. 4 4	Rs. 8,773 8,716	A. 14 • 9	P. 9
Balance at the close of the Fusly	. 33	5	O			•••	33	5	0

The unpaid arrears amount to Rupees 33-5-0. A portion of this, Rupees 14-15-7, is the assessment due on a certain Wurg in the Udipi Talook for Fusly 1277. The owner of the land having failed to make good the amount, and having no other property from which it could be recovered, orders have been issued for the attachment of the land under the provisions of Act II. of 1864. The remaining sum of Rupees 18-5-5 is the quit-rent for Fusly 1277 due on the site of a bungalow situated within the Mangalore Cantonment and held under a Government grant. The bungalow was burnt and has not been re-built. The owners of the land having failed to conform to the condition of the grant, a civil suit has been filed against the parties to have it cancelled, and in the meantime the collection of the quit-rent has been suspended under the Board's orders, conveyed in their Proceedings, dated the 8th July 1868, No. 5,020.

Comparative Abstract of Collections.

21. The collections of the year, ascompared with those of the previous Fusly, are shown in the subjoined statement:—

		Fusly 127	7.		Fusly 127	DIFFERENCE.		
Items.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	In- crease	De- erense.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	e RS.
Ryotwar Miscele neous items	6,877 2,537	13,42,793 43,692	13,49,670 46,229		•13,36,237 63,270	13,41,608 64,906	18,677	• 8,062
	9,414	13,86,485	13,95,899	7,007	13,99,507	14,06,514	18,677	8,062
Abkarry Salt Sea Customs, Stamps Assessed Taxes Irceme Tax	1,733	1,04,645 5,61,889 56,344 1,49,989 7,610	5,61,889 56,344 1,49,989		1,02,434 5,57,171 76,834 1,61,081 11,941 547	1,04,167 5,57,171 70,834 1,61,081 11,941 547	14,490 11,092 4,531 547	
Total	1,733	8,80,477	8,82,210	1,733	9,04,008	9,05,741	30,460	6,929
Grand Total	11,147	22,66,962	22,78,109	8,740	23,03,515	23,12,255	49,137	14,991
Net Increase	orașia orașia - Vincinal						34,146	

There is an increase, it will be seen, in the collections from all other items except "Land Revenue," "Abkarry," and "Salt." The causes of the fluctuation in the different items have already been explained in their appropriate places.

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Nature of property.	Cases.	Amo	unt	of e.	Value	ef EU	piro ld.
Immoveable	9	Rs. 128 243	1	2	8s- 903 99	11	
Total	15	871	8	10	1,003	5	8

22. In nine cases only was it found necessary to sell immoveable property in satisfaction of the Government demands due thereon. The defaulters were either destitute of moveable property, or had abandoned their tenements, or had died without leaving heirs behind them. The moveable property of six other individuals was attached, owing to their wilfully withholding the payment of Government dues.

Total amount of fees collected under Madras Act II. of 1864 ...

... 137 Balance...

As directed in Board's Standing Order, No. 277, the amount of fees collected for the service of processes under Madras Act II. of 1864, and the amount distributed, is shown in the margin. The practice of employing separate batta Peons for the service of these processes has been discontinued in this district,

and the Talook Officers have been directed to abstain from employing any other than the ordinary yillage servants for this purpose in future.

Charges.

Amount distributed

The Revenue charges of the district amounted to Rupees 3,45,639-5-9, being Ru-

pees 78,219-4-0 in excess of those incurred in the preceding Fusly, as shown in the subjoined table :--

	ings je son Linksigs			Fusly	Fusly	Difference.		
	I	tems.	• • •	1277.	1278.	Increase.	Decrease.	
Land Revenue Abkarry Assessed Taxes Customs Salt Stamps	•••	•		1,36,081 1,194 7,091 1,21,210 6,844	RS. 1,40,464 124 602 7,667 1,88,937 7,845	788 4,383 124 576 67,727 1,001	RS9 52	
V	•• ••		Total	2,72,420	3,45,639	Net increase 73,219		

The chief items which have contributed to the above net increase are the charges incurred on account of the salaries and the fixed and extra tentage of Collectors and Assistant Collectors, the purchase price paid for salt, and the charges for petty construction and repairs of salt works.

Salaries of Collectors,

The net increase of Rupees 5,793 under this head is attributable to the fact of both myself and Mr. Boswell, who officiated for me during my absence on privilege leave, having

drawn our salaries and deputation allowance for November and December 1868 in this district, as well as to the deputation allowances of Covenanted Officers having been drawn at the new increased rates since August 1868, and to there having been in the district during the year two passed Assistant Collectors entitled to higher scale of pay, and one unpassed Assistant instead of one passed and one unpassed Assistant as in the previous year. The total increase on this account was Rupees 8,272-15-0, but it was

				RS.	A.	P.
Fusly	1277		***	 42,448		
	1278			48,241		
		Medical			-	-

the fact of two Assistant Collectors having drawn their pay for two months out of the district, as well as by the Treasury Deputy Col-Increase ... 5,792 15 0 lector's salary for two months having been withheld during his absence on privilege leave.

Fixed Tentege, House-rent, etc.

Fusly	1277 1278	 	•••	RS. 3,545 4,262	3	2
				717	-	-

Huzoor Talook and Establishment.

	1277				60,572	8	1
**	1278	***	***	***	59,917	12	11
•		De	crea	se	654	11	2

Miscellaneous Charges

		De	cras	80	1.635	7	. 7
. 23	1278	***		***	21,911	6	1
	1277		•••		23,546		
					RS.	Δ.	P.

Abkarry.

* Rupes 124-3-11

spirituous liquors unlawfully confiscated and sold.

The increase under this item is attributable partly to the increased number of Assistants stationed in the district, and partly to the operation of the new rates of extra tentage sancs tioned by Government for Covenanted Officers.

reduced to the amount shown in the margin by

The small decrease appearing under this head has resulted from the salaries of certain servants having been withheld during their absence on leave, and from savings in the salaries of others.

The decrease in Miscellaneous charges arises almost entirely from the supply of Amindivi coir imported in the year (the cost of which is debited to this head) having fallen short & the importations of the previous year by 66 candies.

The charges* incurred in the year under report consist of the registration fees under Act XX. of 1866, and refund of sale proceeds of

Salt.

Under this head the purchase cost of salt has, been comparatively large. This is owing partly to the higher rates at which contracts were made for the supply of Bombay and Goa salt. and partly to the necessity for securing a sufficient stock of salt for the consumption of the year with a margin for the next, as in the previous Fusly the purchases were at first restricted to the actual requirements of the year in anticipation of the introduction of the Excise system, and were subsequently brought even below that level by the failure of a contractor to deliver the quantity contracted for, and supplementary tenders had to be invited at a late period of the season.

	Quantity of salt	PRICE PAID					
Fusly.	purchased for the Monopoly.	Rate.	Amount.				
1277. Bombay salt Goa do Local manufacture	IN. MDS. -1,53,722 42,817 30,579	At 53, 55, and 65 Rs. per garce. At 213, 37, and 40 Rs. per garce. At 13-2-0 per garce	Rs. 70,924 12,231 3,344	15.	3 7		
	2,27,118		86,500	12	1		
Bombay salt Goa .do Local manufacture	1,88,070 1,47,184 66,902	At 60, 61, and 64 Rs. per garce. At 34 and 40 Rs. per garce At Rs. 13-2-0, 15-10-0, and 16-6-0 per garce	99,653 41,766 8,164	7	80		
	4,02,156	1	1,49,584	14	6		
Increase	1,75,038		63,084	2	5		

Charges for conveying and storing Salt.

Fusly 1277 ... 6,248 18 ... 4,389 11 11 Decrease ... 1,859 1 3

The inland traders who return with salt after discharging at the port of Mangalore their cart-loads of coffee and other produce from the ghauts have, to some extent, made their purchases at Mangalore instead of at the inland,

Depôt at Panemangalore. This they did partly by mistake and partly in order to avoid the additional charge of carriage there payable by orders of Government. This has tended to reduce the cost of the conveyance of salt.

Petty Construction and Repair.

RS. A. P 8,902 14 11 Fusly 1277 ... • ., 1278... 15,548 14 5 Increase... 6,640 15 6

Wastage of Salt.

The prosecution of budgetted works we regularly carried out in the year under report. while in the previous year, owing to the lateness in the receipt of the sanctioned Budget, the works to be executed could not be fully under-

25. The following table shows the quantity of salt stored, the out-turn of the stores when

sold, and the actual wastage which occurred during the year under report, as compared with the results of the preceding Fusly :-

Fusly,	Quantity stored.	Out-turn of the stores.	Wastage.	Per centage.
1277 1278	IN. MDS. 2,76,081 1,93,072	IN. MDS. 2,62,270 1,88,310	IN. MDS. 14,474 1 ,762	5·24 2·46

It will be seen that the average percentage of the wastage has been much reduced during the year under report, being less than half of what it was in the preceding year. A reference to the accompanying Statement No. 11 will show that in only two cases as large a wastage as 10.12 and 11.78 per cent. has occurred, but this was in a quantity of salt stored in Fusly 1275 under the old system of measurement and sold by weighment, and which had also deteriorated from long storage. The wastage in all other cases is too small to be attributed to any dishonesty or negligence on the part of the salt servants; and I have, therefore, the honor to request that sanction may be given for writing off the accounts the total wastage of Indian Maunds 4,762 shown above.

Lapses of Pagoda allowances. Kachur Jengam Mhat, situated in Kachur Village, Hanehalli Magany in Udipi

26. The money allowance, amounting to Rupees 4-12-9, attached to a Jangam Mhat in the Udipi Talook was resumed during the year in consequence of the Trustee of the in litution

Village, Hanehalli Talook. having abandoned the building for a period of twelve years, and the building being now in ruins. Landed property acquired by Public Servants. 27. During the year under report 28

Annual

allowance.

BS. A. P.

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public servants in the Revenue Department acquired landed property, representing an aggregate assessment of Rupees 1,230-1-4. Of these 13 are persons who have acquired or registered their property for the first time, the rest having added to their former possessions. Most of the property thus acquired was by inheritance. At the same time property, paying an assessment of Rupees 54-15-7, was alienated by five public servants.

Examination of Talook and Village accounts.

28. The Talook accounts are generally well kept, being all drawn up on printed forms.

Similar forms have not, however, as yet been supplied to the Village Officers, whose accounts are not quite so well prepared as they should be; but as the subject of the revision of these accounts, and the compilation of a Manual suited to the peculiarities of this district, is now under consideration it is advisable to defer the supply of printed forms for the present.

Conduct of Subordinate Officers.

29. The Acting Head Assistant Collector, Mr. Sturrock, has given me his usual hearty and

satisfactory aid. The character of Mr. Hall's aid has been much depreciated by unnecessary sensitiveness about his own rights. To this I made no allusion in my last year's report, as I hoped would wear off with youth. It is the more to be regretted as Mr. Hall is in other respects a well qualined officer. Mr. weld is as yet necessarily inexperienced, though anxious to be useful. The Treasury Deputy Collector, Mr. J. F. Fernandez, continues invaluable. The Salt Deputy Collector, Mr. Ball, also merits the repetition of my last year's remarks. The Kassergode Tahsildar, Tombat Subba Row, still commands the respect of his talook. The Udipi Tahsildar, Nicholas Brito; the Mangalore Tahsildar, Ankola Balakristappa; and the Uppinangadi Tahsildar, Venkappa Punja, have all done well in different ways.

MANGALORE,
24th August 1869.

(Signed) H, S. THOMAS, • Acting Collector.

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SETTLEMENT REPORT

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I HAVE the honor to report on the Settlement of the Land and other sources of Revenue in his district for the Fusly ending 30th June 1869, and submit the prescribed Statements.

2. The settlement of the talooks noted was conducted by the Division Officers, Mr. Logan

also undertaking the settlement of the Ernad Talook. The Calicut Talook was settled by Mr. Ballard, and Cochin by Mr. Thomas.

The number of puttahs issued during the year was 1,59,377 against 1,65,364 in the previous year. The new forms of puttahs introduced by Mr. Ballard were distributed during the year, and the decrease is attributable to many

of the old cancelled puttahs in the names of deceased individuals not having been replaced, the lands being entered in the puttahs of their successors.

Changes in the tenure and number of Villages.

3. The incorporation of the Tanur with the Rayamangalam Amshom in the Ponany

Talook, in accordance with Board's Proceedings, dated 6th May 1868, No. 3,312, was the only change in the number of villages in this district during the year. The tenures remained unabtered.

Season.

4. The south-west monsoon commenced early. The rain-fall in May was scanty, but

was copious in June, and continued with intermissions till August. The Kanni crop yielded but an average out-turn. The rather long breaks of clear weather experienced during the south-west monsoon were not favorable to an abundant harvest. There was very little rain in September and the dry crops suffered to some extent in consequence, while the sowing of the Magrom or second crop had to be postponed longer than usual. There was, however, a copious fall of rain in October and November, and the out-turn of the second crop was therefore good.

The total fall of rain during the year under review is less by 740 inches than that of the preceding year.

The average fall of rain in each month during the last four years is shown below:-

	FALL OF RAIN.						
Months.	1865-66.	1866-67.	1867-68.	1868-69.			
April. May. June. July. August. September.	$\begin{array}{c} 2\cdot 4 \\ \vdots \\ 29\cdot 6_{\frac{1}{10}} \\ 39\cdot 1 \\ 2\cdot 8_{\frac{7}{10}} \\ 2\cdot 8_{\frac{7}{10}} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.8\frac{8}{10} \\ 1.4\frac{5}{10} \\ 22.8 \\ 27.2\frac{4}{10} \\ 9.9\frac{5}{10} \\ 4.7\frac{8}{10} \end{array}$	1·43 9·02 24·94 30:99 13·99 •9·11	12.65 1.41 49.95 15.46 8.29 3.80			
	90.33	67·1°	89.48	81.56			
October November December January February March	$\begin{array}{c} 8 \cdot 2 {}^{8}_{10} \\ 3 \cdot 4 {}^{6}_{10} \\ 0 \cdot 6 {}^{9}_{10} \\ 0 \cdot 6 {}^{5}_{10} \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{c} 12.4 \\ 3.3 \frac{8}{10} \\ 2.4 \frac{6}{10} \end{array} $ $ 0.5 \frac{4}{10} $	6·09 0·66 0·14 0·69 0·27	6·46 1·62 0·18 0·11			
	13:8	18.7 8	7.85	8:37			
Total	103.410	85.8 8	97:33	6 89 93			

The accounts of rain-fall for last year, submitted in last Jummahbundy Report, were inaccurate, owing to a clerical error in the amount of rain-fall for July 1867; three inches being entered instead of 30. The fall of rain for that year is correctly given in the present statement.

Sanitary state of the District.

5. The health of the district during the year under notice was, on the whole, remarkably

good. No epidemic diseases prevailed to any great extent.

Te deaths from cholera and small-pox were far below the number during the previous years, as will be seen from the annexed statement:—

Fuslies.	\ \	CHOLERA.		1	Small-pox.			
Fusites.	Cases.	Deaths.	Recover- ed.	Cases.	Deaths.	Recovered.		
1274	.21,292 28,221 3,791 203 95	16,532 23,328 3,110 114 81	4,760 4,893 681 89 14	4,515 -3,348 6,305 15,147 2,070	2,279 739 1,708 3,374 745	2,236 2,611 4,597 11,772 1,325		

1	Price	S		
	Fusly 1277.	Fusly 1278.	Increase.	Average of last 10 years.
Price of Paddy per garce, 1st sort. Do. do. 2nd sort.	Rs. 183 178	RS. 206 189	RS. 23 11	Rs. 199 187

6. The prices of grain seem to have slightly risen during the year, owing rest probably to the partial failure of the north-east monsoon in other districts, and to the higher prices procurable by the merchants in consequence.

The Board will perceive in Statement No. 2 that in the Walluvanad and Ernad Talooks second sort paddy is quoted at a higher price than first sort. This is attributable to the price of first ort paddy having been fixed during the early part of the year when that paddy was in the market. During the latter half of the year second sort paddy only was available, and the price of it are to a higher figure than the first sort obtained earlier in the year.

Ryots' holding and cultivation.

7. A Comparative Statement of cultivation and settlement is given below:—

Items.	L	ST FUSLY.	PRES	ENT Fusly.	• INCR	EASE.	DEC	REASE.
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assess- ment.	Ex- tent,	Assess- ment.
1	2	8 •	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P,	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs.	ACRES.	Rs.
Dr ý Wet	3,87,713 3,81,832	6,00,729 13 7 11,60,448 0 5	4,00,897 3,82,948	6,13,543 6 0 11,61,446 8 10	13,184 1,116	12,814 998		
Total	7,69,545	17,61,177 14. 0	7,83,845	17,74,989 14 10	14,300	13,812		
₽ ad								•4.
Second crop Assess- ment Additional Assess-								
ment	=	53,712 15 11 89,433 3 6	•	54,167, 14 5 90,140 4 .8		 455 707		
Total	7,69,545	19,04,324 1 5	7,83,845	19,298 1 11	14,300	14,974		
Deduct Benissions Road Fund Village Service Fund Other remissions, as		53,712 15 M 89,433 3 6	•	54,167 14 5 90,140 4 8		455 707		
particularized in Statement No. 4	125	11,912 5 5	4,316	12,837 2 1		925	6	,
Total	125	1,55,058 8 10	4,316	1,57,145 5 2		2,087		
Remaining Beriz dd Miscellaneous items	7,69,420	17,49,265 8 7 9,159 15 8	7,79,529	17,62,152 12 9 1,01,845 1 0		12,887 92,686		• .~
Total	7,69,420	17,58,425 8 3	7,79,529	18,63,997 13 9		1,05,573		

The extent, as the Board are aware, is only shown approximately in the above statement. It shows an increase of 14,300 Acres over the total extent of land cultivated during Fusly 1277: This increase in the area of cultivation is owing to the early setting in of the monsoon which encouraged ryots to extend their dry cultivation. The total demand of the Land Revenue of the year is Rupees 18,63,997, and exceeds that of the last year by Rupees 1,05,573. This is mainly attributable to Rupees 89,425 net sale proceeds of escheat lands for the official year, from April 1869, having been included in the "Miscellaneous items" under Circular of the Accountant General,

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dated 31st May 1869, No. 1,591. The Ryotwary demand of the year is composed of the follow-ing items:-

	RS. A. P.	RS A. P.
Demand on wet lands in Fusly 1277	11,51,331 14 5	
sions in Fusly 1278 7,673 4 4		
Add new cultivation 2,441 6 1	10,114 10 5	
Deat Benjasians in Fusly 1978	11,61,446 8 10 3,969 4 4	
Deduct Remissions in Fusly 1278		11 57 477 4 0
Demand on dry lands in Fusly 1277 Add Resumptions of remissions in Fusly 1278 115 1 9. Add new cultivation 85,697 12 4	Net Wet 5,97,933 10 2 85,812 14 1	11,57,477 4 6
Deduct lands given up 70,203 2 3 Also Remissions in Fusly 1278 8,867 13 9	6,83,746 8 3 79,071 0 0	
	Net Dry	6,04,675 8 3
	Total	17,62,152 12 9

Waste remitted and waste charged.

8. As usual no remissions were allowed in the case of lands left uncultivated. The extent of the waste charged was 5,587 Acres, assessed at Rupees 2,946, being less than the quantity charged last year by 1,916 Acres.

Grant of Cowles.

9. The number of fresh cowles issued during the Fusly was 44 for 59 Acres of dry and 160 Acres of wet lands. A correct estimate of the revenue derivable from the dry lands, under which are included garden lands, cannot at present be given in consequence of the system of Tree tax presiding in this district. The revenue from the wet lands will in all probability be Rs. 250.

Remissions. 10. Statement No. 4 regarding remissions shows a net decrease of Rupees 6,346 under occasional remissions, attributable to there having been but a small amount of shavy during the year.

The increase under the two items of Fixed remissions, marginally noted, is attributable in the first item to the progress made in the collections on account of the sales of escheat lards;

the rule being that the payment of Jenmabhogam to Government should cease on the collection of half the purchase money, and in the second to the relinquishment by its owners of 4,032 Acres of coffee land in Wynaad. The other items of fixed remissions call for no particular remark.

Collection.

11. The following is a Comparative Statement of collections on account of Land sundry sources of Revenue:—

		Fusly 127	7.]	Fusly 127	8.	•	-
Items.	Ar- rears. Current.		Total.	Ar- rears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	De- crease.
Lind Revenue.	Rs.	RS.	Rs.	RŠ.	RS.	Rs.	RS	RS.
Pernanently settled Shrotriem Jody, etc Ryotwary Miscellaneous	5,000 420 55,193 2,010	2,419 17,06,686	2,839 17,61,879	134 38,319	2,500		•••••	295 2,881
Total	62,623	17,23,265	17,85,888	43,453	18,35,024	18,78,477	95,675	3,086
Abkarry Salt Sea Customs Land Customs Stamps Income Tax License Ttax			9,956 4,73,448		9,22,732 1,42,942 9,586	4,80,038 1,574	75,695 48,411 6,590 1,574	370
Total	62,623	33,50,305	34,12,928	44,545	35,95,109	36,39,654	2,449	5,723

It will be observed that the aggregate collections under the several heads of Revenue named above amounted to Rupees 36,39,654, and exceed those of the previous year by Rupees 2,26,726. The collections bear a percentage of 99 to the demand of the year.

Land Revenue.

12. It will be seen that the collections under Land Revenue show a net increase of Rupees 92,589. The increase under the head Permanently settled is due to the payment by Sultan Ali Rajah of Rupees 5,600 on account of arrears, in addition to the usual kist collected during the

year.

• Under the head Miscellaneous the increase is due to the collections on account of the sales of escheats having been, as already stated, credited to Land Revenue in Fusly 1278; whereas in former years they were carried to deposits.

The entries against the item "Shrotriem Jody, etc.," are erroneous. I regret to report that the Board's instructions regarding the crediting of Quit-rent on sundry Inams to Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, have not been attended to. Orders, however, have been issued for the correct preparation of the accounts during the current year.

Abkarry.

13. Exhibits a decrease of Rupees 2,267, which is owing to the absence of much competition at the auction.

14. The collections under Salt show an increase of Rupees 75,695, ascribable to larger

Salt,

sales having been effected on discount to merchants carrying salt to Coimbatore, and to more salt ing been purchased at Cannanore and Tellicherry for export to Mysore and Coorg.

The quantity of salt purchased during the year amounted to 5,18,746 Indian Maunds against 5,58,437 Indian Maunds during the previous Fusly. The decrease is owing to the stock on hand at the beginning of the Fusly having been considerable.

The salt was chiefly imported from Bombay; small quantities were brought from Goa, Damann, and Tuticorin, which were generally of inferior quality. The prices paid averaged Rs. 55-11-0 per garce. The charges (Rs. 2,47,803) bear to the gross collections (Rs. 9,22,731) a percentage of 264.

Sea Customs.

15. Show an increase of Rupees 45,411, mainly due to large shipments of cocoanut oil from Cochin to English ports.

Land Customs.

*16. The small decrease observable under Land Customs calls for no remark.

Stam pg.

17. The collections under Stamps show an increase of Rupees 6,590, owing to increased litigation.

License Tax.

18. The increase of Rupees 4,504 under this tax is due to large outstanding arrears of

the previous year having been collected during the Fusly.

19. The new Act (IX. of 1869) came into operation on the 1st April last, and the collections made on account of it amounted to Rupees 1,574.

Balances.

20. The uncollected balances of the year amounted to Rupees 56,512-3-11, of which

Rupees 9,657-9-2 appertain to Fuslies prior to 1278. A detailed statement showing the old balances is annexed:—

	Fusly 1272.	Fusly 1273.	Fusly 1274.	Fusly 1275,	Fusly 1276,	Fusly 1277.	Total.
Calicut Ponany Calghaut Wynaad Cochif	16 7 0	2 0 0	6 2 10 6 9 10 140 0 0	88 6 11 7 8 0 180 0 0	665 7 6 262 13 6 1,890 2 6	24 9 6 248 0 11 268 9 1 5,607 4 11	36°15 1,026 9 545 8 7,817 7
Total	16 7 0	2 0 0	152 12 8	323 11. 7	2,856 6 0	6,174 1 2	9,525 6
Add Abkarry arrears							132 2
Total			·				9,657 9

Of the above Rupees 733-1-11 were remitted in Board's Proceedings, dated 17th June 1869, No. 4,345, and Rupees 267-1-4 were collected up to August last, leaving a balance yet uncollected of Rupees 8,657-5-4. Of this sum I request sanction to strike Rupees 2,064-7-4 off the

accounts as irrecoverable, owing in some cases to the poverty of the ryots, and to some of themhaving left the district without informing us of their whereabouts, and in a few cases to charge assessment caused by mistakes in the accounts.

Orders have been issued for the speedy realization of the remainder. Almost all the arrears of Fusly 1272 and 1273 have been collected.

Rupees 46,854-10-9 of the balance appertains purely to the demand of Fusly 1278; of this

* Ropees 20,928-3-5.

Rupees 22,245-8-8 have been collected since the close of the Fusly. The bulk* of the arrears still uncollected appertains to Wynaad.

to which Coercive process was employed in the collection of Revenue.

> Ernad. Palghaut. Ponany.

21. In thirty-two cases it was fould

necessary have recourse to coercive measures to recover Government assessment to the extent of Rupees 6,127, in the talooks marginally noted. Immoveable property was distrained and sold in the Ponany and Wynaad Talooks.

Charges.

22. The charges of the year amount to Rupees 5,43,012-5-9 against Rupees 5,76,471-8-0

of Fusly 1277, showing a decrease of Rupees 33,459 and a proportion of 15 per cent. to the gross collections. The decrease is due chiefly to the smaller purchases of salt made during the year, as stated in paragraph 14 of this report, and to the slight reduction in the price paid during the year. Under Land Revenue the increase of Rupees 2,736 on account of salaries of Collectors, etc. and of Rupees 3,915 drawn as tentage, etc., by them, is due to changes in the staff of officers.

The increase in the Huzoor and Talook establishment of Rupees 2,365 is partially owing to the arrears of pay of Amshom servants having been fully disbursed, and partly to the entertainment of the two additional hands in the permanent establishment of the Ponany Talook, entailing an expenditure of 600 Rupees per annum- Vide Government Order, 25th June 1868, No. 1,785. The decrease in the contingent charges amounting to Rupees 6,321, is owing to the cost of the escheat establish-

Vide Proceedings, deted 21st October 1867, No. 6,864. paragraph 3,

ment not having been debited to this minor head during the year under review, under instructions marginally noted, as was the case for some months in last Fusly.

The refunds under License Tax for sums erroneously collected show a decrease of Rs. 2,576. The Sea Customs contingencies exhibit again a decrease of Rupees 1,366, which is attributable to no large refunds having been found necessary during the year under notice. The decrease of Rupees 10,372 in the item of Salt contingencies is owing to the sum annually paid to the Travancere and Cochin States, under the Interportal Convention on account of wastage of salt imported into those territories, having been by the direction of the Accountant General transferred from this head in this Fusly to "Allowances and Assignments, etc.," as per his letter, dated 28th Jay 1868, No. 2,295.

The Talook and Village accounts have Examination of Talook and Village accounts. been scrutinized by the respective officers at the settlement, and are reported to be correctly and properly kept.

24. The particulars of landed property acquired by Revenue servants in the district during fear are given below:—

9	District and Talook in	Lands ac	How ac-	
Name and designation of servants.	which lands are situ- ated.	Measure- ment.	Revenue.	quired.
1. Perinkolum Gramom Krishna Patter, Palghaut Tahsildar.	Malabar, Palghaut Talook.	ACS, AS, A. 14 13 12	RS. A. P.) <i>å</i>
2. Chalaprath Karunagara Menon, Kotteyom Tahsildar.	Malabar, Ernad Ta- look.	19 1 13	55 5.7	By narchase.
3. Kanegath Ramen Menon, Kurum- branad Talook, 1st Goomastah.	Malabar, Walluvanad Talook.	4 0 1	10 8 2	

Remarks on the conduct of the Officers.

25. As I only joined the district after the close of the Fusly no remarks of mine on the conduct of the subordinate Officers and Tahsildars seem necessary.

CALICUT, 7th September 1869. (Signed) A. McC. WEBSTER,
Officiating Collector:

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

- I AVE the honor to report on the Settlement of the Sub-division for Fuely 1278.
- 2. The settlement was commenced on the 27th January and completed on 28th April 1869 by myself. In the interval I also conducted the settlement of the Ernad Talook.
 - 3. The puttahs were distributed at the following places:-

		,	ant.	
1. Cherekal	$\begin{array}{l} 1. \ \ \text{Oodayamkunnu} \\ 2. \ \ \text{Payangadi} \\ 3. \ \ \text{Kawayis} \\ 4. \ \ \text{Taliparamba} \end{array}$	Number o	f days spent in e	each Talook, 18.
2. Kotteyom	1. Gannavom 2. Chavacherry 3. Kootuparamba. 4. Tellicherry	$\bigg\} \qquad {_{\rm D\circ}}$	do.	12.
	1. Naduvanoor 2. Quilandy) .	9	
3: Kurumbra	nad 3. Payol	> Do	do.	13.
	4. Tiruvallur 5. Badagara			•

- 4. No alteration in the tenure nor transfers of Amshoms have been made in the year under report.
- 5. As ordered by the Board, (vide Memorandum, No. 1,206, dated 3rd Docember 1866,)
 Puttah books were this year introduced; 40,437 putchs were distributed. Of these 1,183 were
 fresh puttahs entirely, or transferred from one man to another, and 1,285 were transferred to heirs
 of deceased holders.
- 6. The rain-fall was very much less than in the last year, and also less than the average of the last five years, as will be seen from the following comparative statement:—

	Fusly 1277.			Fusly 1278.			AVERAGE OF LAST FIVE YEARS.			
Talooks.	Measures.	Inches.	Tenths.	Measures.	Inches.	Tenths.	Measures.	Inches.	Tenths.	
1. Cherelial	270 266 285	1 8 9	$\begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\2 \end{bmatrix}$	127 133 139	4 5 3	9 7 2	225 234 233	9 7 1:	5	

The diminished rain-fall did not seriously affect the crops; there were no complaints.

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The following is a recurn of the small-pox and cholera case feworted in the Sub-division. Fespect of cholera the season was comparatively healthy:—

		CHOLERA.			SMALL-POX.				TOTAL.		
Talooks.	Division.	At- tacked.	Cured.	Died.	At- tacked.	Cured.	Died.	At- tacked.	Cured.	Died.	
1. Chere- { kal. } 2. Kotte- { yom. }	1. Talipa amba 2. Cherekal 3. Cannanore 1. Tellicherry 2. Kotteyom 3. Chavacherry	4	1 9 3 	3 29 1 1	5 345 108 6 41 9	5 268 89 6 30 8	 77 19 11	9 383 112 6 41 10	6 277 92 6 30 8	3 106 20 11 2	
3. Ku- rumbra- nad.	1. Kurumbranad. 2. Quilandy Total	49	13	$\frac{1}{36}$	42 191 747	$\frac{24}{137} = \frac{567}{567}$	18 54 780	43 192 796	24 137 580	19° 55 216	
	Fusly 1277	72	46	26	7987	6,160	1,827	8,059	6,206	1,853	

8. The price of paddy was higher than in last year, but less than the average of the last five years.

First sort paddy, per garce.

9. The result of the settlement is an increase in the Land Revenue demand of Rs. 8 200-7-3, as the following statement shows:—

10. The following are the particular of increase and decrease under various items:—
Wet Lands.

Increase.

6.	Q	RS.	A.	P.
By resumption	n of remissions	187	11	9
	of various lands	154	3	6
Do.	of Cowle lands		12	
	Total	613	110	8
	Decrease.			
En en en e			Α.	

					23.0		
Remission	of assessi	ment on la	nds waste	209	14	11	
Do.	do.	do.	flooded	128	2	3	1
Do.	do.		nd taken for road		5		
Do.	do.		nds planted with trees		13	4	
e Do.	do.		nds over-assessed		14	4	
Net remi			rarily taken up	67	13	9	
Remission	n of Shisto	m rent on	escheat lands sold	306	1	. 9	
			"그 사람이 보고 없는 이 그 없이 그 집 가장에 다 가장 하는 것 같다. 나는 것 같			A STATE OF	38

Total... 715 1 7

Net Decrease... 101 5 11

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•	Fusly	1277.	Fusly 1278.		Сомран	RISON.
			,,	Incr	ease.	Decrease.
Ellu	1,114 4,592 15,830 686	7 5 5 1	4,888 12		A. P. 10 2 4 9 8 1	RS. A. 1
Total	22,223	6 9	24,500 7.	2 2,291	7 0	14 6
Net			o	2,277	0 5	
ands assessed at 6 Annas per acre.	3,735	3 4	3,745 14	9 10	11 50	
Grand Total	25,958	10 1	28,246 5 1	1 2,287	11 10	
Remission resumed Increase found on the Remission of assessmen Temporary remission of Decrease of interest for	L P at on unfr n account r which the	ecrease. ruitful truit of fanthere is n	Total rees	0 1 1,899 Rs. 53 6 • 6	7 3 0 4 3 9 4 0	
Remission of Shistom (rent) on	sale of e	Total	$\frac{116 \ 1}{176 \ 3}$	3 10	
	,	Net	Increase		3 5	Rs,
Net increase on dry and Net decrease on wet Do. do. on Inam			101 5 11	4,010 18		., ,
	account		et Increase ation of Can-	3,908	7 3	: 50
Increase in the Fusly demand on anore Carar Dann kist, as per Proce		Board, I	No. 967, dated			•
Increase in the Fusly demand on anore Carar Dann kist, as per Proce th February 1868. This is a matter	edings of			5,000	0 .0 .	

Of the above net increase of Rupees 3,908-7-3, which represents the progress of cultivation in the division, nearly one-half is a permanent increase to the garden assessment. There is a

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tend new to plant cocoanut trees rather than make paddy fields; for while the wet land demand

		RS.	Α.	P.	
Fusly	1275	 2,558	5	10	
,,	1276	 2,083	2	11	
,,	1277	 1,701	11	3	
	1278	 1,723	3	5	

The increase under "Dry lands" is not a permanent demand. This cultivation fluctuates to a great extent with the nature of the season.

11. There is a decrease of Rupees 10-6-6 in the Amshom Service Fund this year.

,		RS.	A.	P.	
Fusly	1277	4,732	12	6	
,,	1278	4,722	6	0	
	Net Decrease	10	6	6	

This fund is collected only in part of Kurumbranad Talook, and varjes with the Land Revenue demand of that portion of the division, the old Kurumbranad Talook.

12. There is an increase of Rupees 132-6-0 in Estrict Road Fund over that of the preceding year, consequent on the increased Land Revenue demand.

					RS.	A.	P .	
Fusly	1277	·····		6	15,695	3	1	
,,	1278				15,831	9	1	
	6				-	-	-	
	1	Net	Increase	· · ·	132	6-	0	

13. The Land Revenue demand was less by Rupees 1,777-0-6 than the average of the st five years. In Fusly 1276 six Amshon, with a demand of Rupees 18,000 odd, were transferred from Kurumbranad Talook to Calicut. If that sum is deducted from the Kurumbranad Talook demand for Fusly 1273-74, and an average struck, this year's demand is Rupees 5,513-14-6 higher than the average.

Fuslies.	Cherekal.			Kotteyom.			Kurumbr	ana	d.	Tota		
	,		-			-		0	-		-	0
	RS.	A.	Ρ,	RS.	Α.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	Α.	P.
1273	1,92,403		5	$94,014^{\circ}$		6	2,24,498	0	11	5,10,916	2	10
1274	1,94,023	7	8	96,190		5	2,26,493		- 9	5,16,707	10	10
1275	1,94,180		7	96,851	3	7	2,04,810	3	2	4,95,842	5	40
1976	1,95,090		4	96,480		3	2,05,866	3	2	4,97,437	14	9
1277	1,95,558	11	8	96,353	4	0	2,06,207	3	1	4,98,119	2	9
Total	9,71,257	5	8	4,79,891	0	9	10,67,874	14	1	25,19,023	4	6
Average										5,03,804	10	6
1278	1,97,025	4	4	98,610	10	0	2,06,391	11	8	5,02,027	10	0
Decrease										1,777	0	6

14. There is neither increase nor decrease under the head of Abkarry, as the farms were for the Fusly at the previous year's rates.

200		RS.
Fusly	1277	58,930
	1278	58,930

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15. The ferry farms were let at Rupees 3,352 less than the last year. The decrease in Kotteyom and Kurumbranad Talooks.

	K5.
Fusly 1277	
,. 1278	
De	crease 3.352

6. The following table shows the Revenue under all heads:-

								i Ner.					
	Items.	Fusly 1277.			Fusly 1278.			Increase.			Decrease.		
enue.	Wet Dry Garden Cannanore Carar	2,63,143 25,958 2,08,067	$\frac{12}{10}$ $\frac{12}{12}$	1	2,63,042 $28,246$ $2,09,790$	5 15	1100	2,287 1,723 5,000	3	P. 10 5 0	RS. 101		P. 11
Land Revenue	Inam Jody	5,07,170 948 5,08,119	15	11	5,16,079 947 5,17,027	13	10	9,010			101 1 102	-	11 1
Miscellaneous.	mshom Service Fund Road Fund Abkarry Ferry		6	6 1 4 0	4,722 15,831 59,001 30,000	.6	- 61	132	6	0	9.050	. 6	6 0
Misce	Grand Total Net Increase	4.0	9	7				9,143			3,464	14	6

- 17. Sevoy Jummah collected in this year amoun gonly to Annas 2
- 18. The interest account exhibits a sem of Rupees 49-8-5.

• Items. •			Fusl	12	77:	Fusly 1278.			
On the arrears Do. Do.	of Land Revenue		RS. 151 0 28	A. 4 13 11	P. 6 4 8	RS. 36) _{A.} 5 2*	7	
		Total	180	13	6	49	8	5	
		Decrease				131	5	-1	

•19. Out of the total demand of Rupees 6,26,583-0-4 of the Fusly Rupees 6,21,074-0-1 have been collected within the Fusly, leaving a balance of 5,509-0-3. Of the balance Rs. 5,000-0-11 is due by Sultan Ali Rajah of Cannanore, to whom an extension of time for the payment up to the 1st August was granted by you—See your letter, No. 1,427, dated 24th June 1869. The remaining, Rupees 508-15-4, is due by Franjee Ruttonjee, Contractor of Agalapoya and other ferries in Kurumbranad, for Fusly 1277—Vide Proceedings of the Board, No. 3,781, dated 20th May 1868. There is some hope of this amount being at last realised.

- 11 620. The Talook and Alashom accounts were examined and found correct.
- 21. Except the Tahaildar of Kotteyom, Karunagara Menon, who acquired 19 Acres, 1 Anna, and 13 Amshoms of land in Ernad Talook on Jenm right for Rupees 7,500, and Kanegath Ramen Menon, Head Goomastah of Kurumbranad Talook, who acquired 4 Acres and 11 Amshom of land in Walluvanad Talook for 1,125 Rupees, 11 Annas, and 5 Pies, no Revenue Officers in the Sub-division have acquired any landed property during the year under report.
- 22. The conduct of the Revenue subordinate Officers during the year has been, on the whole, satisfactory. Karunagara Menon, Tahsildar of Kotteyom, displayed more zeal than he did last year, but he still trusts too much to his subordinates and does not look sufficiently after natters himself.
 - 23. I resided in my Division during 273 days out of the 365 days in the year.

Manathana, 16th August 1869. (Signed)

W. LUGAN.

Sub-Collector.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) P. A. COLE, Depy., for Offig. Collector

APPENDIX A.

I have the honor to report on certain points connected with the Settlement of Ernad Talook for Fusly 1278, which I conducted under instructions from your predecessor—Vide letter, No. 164, dated 14th January 1869.

- 2. My Sheristadar commenced reviewing the accounts from 9th March, and I commenced the distribution of puttahs on the 15th and the Jummahbundy was completed on 8th April.
 - 3. Puttahs were distributed at the following places:-

1. Tricolom.

3: Manjary.

5. Arikode.

2. Kottakel.

4. Vandcor.

6. Kundotty.

4. The Talook and Amshom accounts were examined. In the Stamp account of the Talook there was an item showing that a stamp paper for Rupees 35 was in the Talook Treasury. A. B. Muchilka had been executed on it and sent to Huzoor on the 31st October 1865, as shown by the record. An order is required for striking off this item from the Talook accounts. In the Treasury account a sum of Rupees 108-12-11 was entered as a deposit in the Talook Treasury on the 1st April 1869. Of this sum Rupees 50 was the balance, amount of salaries to be distributed to Talook servants, and Rupees 57-4-11 was part of certain compensation to be paid for lands taken for roads: The non-payment of the latter amount (Rupees 57-4-11) was owing to disputes between parties entitled to the compensation. This sum has been lying in the Treasury for four years. The remaining Rupee 1-8-0 is the produce of the sale of cholera medicines. This has been lying in deposit for more than three years. The above two items should be credited to the Treasury. These were the only points calling for remarks with regard to the accounts.

Manathana, 33th August 1869.

(Signed)

W. LOGAN,

Sub-Collector.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) P. A. COLE,

Depy., for Offg. Collector.